

Mostly cloudy Sunday, snow in east and south portions, cold but clearing, generally fair and continued cold.

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LIEUTENANT O. C. WOOD is a son of General Leonard Wood, governor of the Philippines, and has been serving with his father there during the year he made \$800,000 in stock speculations, starting with a small sum.

A few weeks since somebody is convinced that an investigation of General Wood's department. There was something curious about it, and so some Washington gossip was formed, but the cause of this action was not told in the newspapers. News reports did not print the intimations. The looked like this.

After there had been much stowing about it, the New York Times sent a representative to Manila to take the story by the horns. Young Wood and his father were interviewed. Wood told the story of how he came upon the money. He said that a month ago he had been in the Philippines. He had been in the Philippines for a month. He had been in the Philippines for a month. He had been in the Philippines for a month.

The Times printed the story, and the news was carried on all wires. The day after the Secretary of War issued a statement to the effect that he had ordered Lieutenant Wood to cease his speculations on the ground that they were financially imprudent. He possessed no information that would make the affair public business.

It would be interesting to know what rumors and gossip prevail in Washington. Wood's claim to wealth was sensational enough. No doubt it was whispered that there must be some connection between these Wall Street deals and the administration of the Philippines. Papers could not print it if there were. But if there is anything about the deal which would permit the publication of it, it should be done in the form of events before a congressional committee.

Can you beat this? Senator Snodgrass, of Ohio, who stands pat, talks of carrying the soldiers' bonus over the scheduled vote of President Calhoun. The senator says he will have two votes to spare. Imagine Senator, watching at the treasury, battling for an appropriation of perhaps a billion or two. It might be possible some people will say so. But fair play will have to credit Senator Snodgrass with snortery. It's the first popular thing he has ever done.

Nothing important developed in the Mexican election, as you know. A slight conservatism prevailed, and reports from the opposing forces are so conflicting it is hard to tell where the advantage lies. A rumor came out of El Paso that the United States government would aid Obregon, but anything came out of El Paso probably the story is untrue. If not, it is important.

Dispatches announce that Senator La Follette has drawn a bill which authorizes the government to fix the price of gasoline. No doubt the constitutionality of such a law will be questioned. One time Senator La Follette offered an amendment to a law fixing the price of crude oil at the well. This bill was not important, since the refined product could have been sold at any price the refiners chose. If Senator La Follette's new bill proposes to fix the price of refined oil, it would be as effective. Probably such a law will pass. Oil and coal come very close to being public utilities.

Secretary Hughes declined to submit to congress documents upon which he relies to prove that the Russian government, last July, issued propaganda in the name of planning to take over the American capital. He says that the documents are genuine. The Soviet government calls them forgeries. It is hard to see for what reason Mr. Hughes declines to submit to congress to examine them.

A new monarchist uprising was rumored in Germany. Republican guards had a close eye on Hitler and Ludendorff, heads of the recent Bavarian "revolt." Newsdays Germany continues, with South America for alternative revolutions.

Lloyd George predicts two great world wars in the new world, a third between the United States and Canada, and a half revolution. These lands can keep the world, he says, and have endless resources of wealth. "Here," says Lloyd George, "two niggles in thousands, and they plan in millions." One American state owns more automobiles than the United Kingdom. Lloyd George is working for an alliance of the English speaking peoples, which means the British Isles, the United States, Canada and Australia. It is easy to see the wisdom of this old Statesman. His vision of the North American continent, with over two billion beans, and rich beyond dreams, explains his desires to join hands with us. We would always be formidable, should be impregnable. Lloyd George is a statesman.

CLEVELAND BEATS CANNUCKS. CLEVELAND, Ohio.—Cleveland defeated the Kingston hockey team of London, Ontario, 1-0, Saturday night, 5 to 2.

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WASHINGTON.—By the Associated Press.—Magnus Johnson, the dirt farmer son of from Minnesota, and Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture, attempted Saturday to settle their feud with a milking contest. But the result was so inconclusive that Senator Johnson challenged Secretary Wallace to a further contest with a buck saw.

**Artists for Test**  
Two of the best milking artists of the celebrated Soldiers' Home here were selected for the contest. Secretary Wallace took Corn Johanna, Fredericka de Kol. Both are celebrated advanced registry matrons of the Holstein Friesian family. Anti-kickers and tall holders were barred and the rules called for dry hand milking, three gallon pails between the knees.

Major General Tasker H. Bliss, retired, commandant of the Soldiers' Home, held the watch, and when he said "Go," the senator and the secretary put the tops of their heads into the row's "flanks" and went to work in the old fashioned way which became extinct with the advent of the modern farm hand and the milking machine.

**Clean in Five Minutes**  
For five minutes there was no sound except that of the steady streams of milk pouring into the buckets. When both cows were reposed clean the time was given as five minutes and when it was measured it was announced that Secretary Wallace had won by a half pint.

Senator Johnson protested that his cow, which was on test with four daily milkings, evidently had been milked just before the contest; that his hand was a little off size since coming to the senate, and that any-

way his wife and children were the real milking experts on his farm in Minnesota.

Secretary Wallace heard the protest without emotion but at its conclusion remarked with a specially selected emphasis:

"Tuh! 'Us dirt farmers!"

**Proposes Buck Saw Battle**  
Senator Johnson replied with his proposal of a return match with buck saw and a woodpile.

Secretary Wallace took it under advisement.

Diligent inquiry at the Soldiers' Home failed to disclose any body who would take the responsibility for starting how much milk Secretary Johnson or Secretary Wallace actually got in the five minutes of effort.

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The wounded girl is Dora Payne, 16, of Minnosh, who had been spending the holidays at the home of Carl O. Gustavson, a relative. She was shot near the base of the spine and her condition is critical. She is said to have spurned Gustavson's attentions.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.—Admission to Bellevue of 11-year-old "Spike" Zahack, suffering from acute alcoholism Saturday lifted over the 200 mark victims of holiday liquor carried to city hospitals. Ten deaths have occurred so far and hospital authorities expected their last bed would be taken after New Year's eve.

"Spike"—with red sweater, frayed trousers, and cap cocked over one eye—was found by a policeman sitting in a daze on the curbstone. After receiving medical treatment he was sent home. A policeman was sent to investigate the source of the youngster's East Side liquor supply.

"Oh, a kid gave it to me," Spike said. "I took a couple drinks to celebrate Christmas. That's all I remember. No, I don't know the kid that gave it to me."

**SELF-INFLICTED STAB WOUNDS FATAL TO JOHN O. WILLIAMS**

La Crosse Clothing Company Clerk Dies in Hospital

Late Saturday

John O. Williams, shipping clerk at the La Crosse Clothing company, who is said to have stabbed himself ten times above the heart with a pocket knife shortly before noon on Saturday in his office at a local hospital late Saturday afternoon.

Coroner Raymond C. Dwyer Saturday night was unable to make any statements regarding the case, but that new developments might be revealed after he has an interview with District Attorney Gordon.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

**MOST POWERFUL, HEAVIEST GUN IN WORLD, U. S. BUILT**

WASHINGTON.—Army ordnance experts have developed what they believe to be the heaviest and most powerful gun of its type in the world. The new weapon is of the fourteen inch, 150 calibre type and is a post-war development. It is capable of hurling an armor-piercing projectile of 1,500 pounds for a distance of 23 miles and can be mounted on wheeled carriages and drawn along railroad tracks.

An electric apparatus is provided to lower the gun into position for passage through railroad tunnels and elevators to firing position. The total weight of gun and carriages is 700,000 pounds.

**BERLIN TO RESUME PAYING COSTS OF OCCUPATION IF —**

BERLIN.—By The Associated Press.—In view of pending foreign negotiations, says an official announcement Saturday, the government has decided to resume payment of the costs of the alleged occupation provided that means of payment really exist. It is explained the payment will be for "a restricted period and within the narrowest limits."

At the same time the government has resolved to conclude as speedily as possible the present diplomatic negotiations on this subject.

The alleged occupation costs has been suspended since the Franco-Belgian occupation of the Ruhr.

**MEMORIAL TREES FROM U. S. TO HELP RE-FOREST FRANCE**

NEW YORK.—In years to come, millions of American trees will be growing on the battle area in France where doughboys fought, according to plans of the American Tree association.

A shipment of 1,100 pounds of Douglas fir seeds was forwarded Saturday on the Savile to help re-forest the battlefields. The seeds were collected on the Pacific coast. Experiments have shown that the Douglas fir thrives in the French climate. More shipments will be made from time to time.

**NEW YORK GIRL'S FATHER DENIES SHE'LL WED PRINCE**

NEW YORK.—Dr. James O. Green denied Saturday night that his daughter, Miss Eleanor Margaret Green, was engaged to Prince Viggo of Denmark, as announced from Copenhagen recently. Members of the family until Saturday had declined to comment upon the Copenhagen dispatch. Miss Green, it was said, was out of the city.

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Southern in all of his antecedents—educational, political and economical—the senator from Alabama, now that he has thrown his lot in the 1921 arena, represents the hope of the "Solid South" for a president.

He combines the manner of the traditional southern gentleman with the logic, poise and force of the highly political and friendly, he is not what could be termed effusive.

As a United States senator, Underwood has many friends but few pals. His closest companions are his wife, who drives him to and from his office in the United States capital each day, and his German police dog, Otto von Hildebrandt. Otto is the senator's part-fellow, at home and companion on walking expeditions. These constitute Underwood's chief exercise.

## Likes Plain Food

Underwood is as democratic in his mode of living as he is in his politics. He is unostentatious, wears business suits, and frequently bow tie. He likes fried apples, fried ham and fried mushrooms, and is considerable of a dog fancier.

Rarely, if ever, does Underwood make a set speech. All his talks are extemporaneous, yet when he rises on the floor of the senate, his colleagues and the press galleries come to prompt attention. Here is where his possession of good logic is demonstrated.

Oratorically others may be his superior, but his arguments are indisputable; time and again he has battered down the flowery speeches of others by the sheer force of his reasoning. He has the faculty of marshaling his facts and making them march in ordered array.

In his senatorial routine, Underwood is most methodical. All the mail and business reaching his office each day is cleaned up that day. No questions are left hanging over. This habit of maintaining a clean desk leaves him additional time for reading and study. He professes the quiet life to that of the political "mixer."

Few men in public have so even a temper, so little of temperament. He never gets ruffled or flustered, never exhibits anger or anger, never in even the bitterest debates raises his voice above the slow, suave, rather nasal drawl in which he speaks. He may be sarcastic, even cuttingly caustic in debate, but his words will come in the same low, calmly emotionless voice in which he would present a statistical summary.

And for statistics, especially financial figures, the Birmingham senator has quite a predilection. He is equally fond of newspapers. His daily regimen calls for an early and leisurely breakfast and during the meal he carefully reads and studies the news of the day.

Underwood has given his name to a great tariff measure, which has lived and will be remembered. He did this in the house of representatives and it made him the famous leader of the democratic party on the floor. As majority leader there during the first Wilson administration, he was chairman of the ways and means committee, which drafts the revenue bills.

When he became senator, he was placed on the senate appropriation committee. As he put it:

"When I came to the senate I stopped raising money and went to spending it."

Underwood is a lawyer by profes-



TOP, MRS. OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD (LEFT) AND SENATOR UNDERWOOD. BOTTOM, OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD, JR. (LEFT), MRS. JOHN LEWIS UNDERWOOD (CENTER) AND JOHN LEWIS UNDERWOOD.

For many years, however, he has been identified with the Wood words, among the most successful independent coal and iron producers of the south, and one of the Woodward girls became Mrs. Underwood.

He was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1862 and was educated there, completing his law course in the University of Virginia. He practiced law in Birmingham at the start of his career, his partner at one time being Justice E. K. Campbell, now chief justice of the court of claims at Washington.

Underwood early took an active part in Alabama politics and served as chairman of the democratic executive committee of the third district of the state in his first public office. He was later chairman of a congressional committee which accepted the present constitution of the state. He was a member of the 51st and 52nd congresses and was elevated to the senate in 1915.

No matter how far he led for the democratic nomination, 1920, Underwood at least is assured the support of his home state. For a new road cabin in the wilds of the Blue

mountains, near Tate Springs, Tenn. There

## U. S. FIRES CAUSE 41 DEATHS DAILY. \$16 A SECOND LOSS

CHICAGO, Ill.—The occurrence of another disastrous fire has emphasized again the prevention people point out, the enormous extent of the hazard in this country of serious conflagrations.

A steadily increasing loss of life and of property from fires during 1922, the last full reportable year, reached 12,000 deaths and damage of 500 million dollars, an analysis of fire reports for the entire country show.

The reports, analyzed by the Nation's Business, a trade publication, bring out the fact that 41 persons are burned to death and 47 injured seriously every 24 hours, with a property loss of \$16 a second.

## COOLIDGE AS MAJORITY

G. O. P. CANDIDATE IN S. D. PIERRE, S. D.—The signed acceptance of President Coolidge as the majority republican candidate in the state primary election campaign was filed with the secretary of state Friday. The declaration simply said, "I, Calvin Coolidge, do hereby declare that if nominated and elected, I will qualify."

## STREET SINGERS GET GOOD PAY

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The Birmingham home is plain and simple. According to William, husband of the senator, the Underwoods, there's nobody finer than Mistah Senator.

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they appear in groups of five and six, and sometimes they literally line up along the curbs of the principal thoroughfares.

## JOHNSON TO CONTEST FOR SOUTH'S DELEGATES

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Hiram Johnson intends to contest with President Coolidge for southern delegates to the Cleveland convention. He announced Friday that he would enter the Alabama primaries.

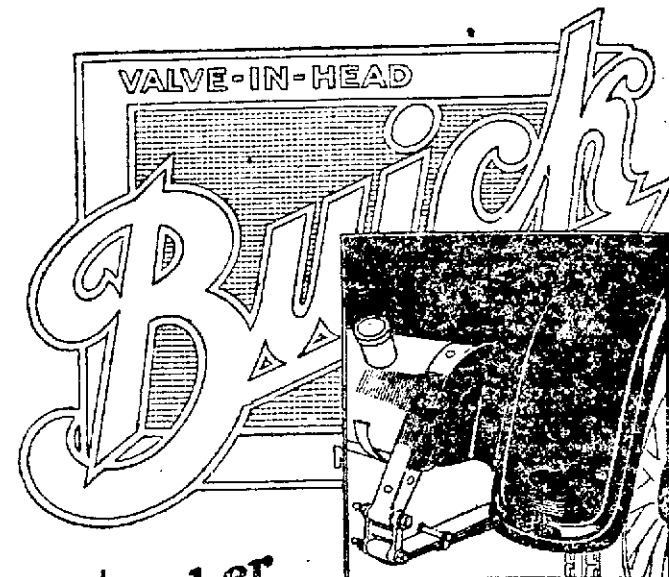
## PARIS ALIVE WITH 'EM

PARIS—Paris streets are full of "scatophiles." But they're women.

From her closely coiffed head, with its smooth bands of hair or cropped locks under a tiny black hat with front peak, to her feet, of which only the toes peep out under a long skirt, a lady is one straight line.

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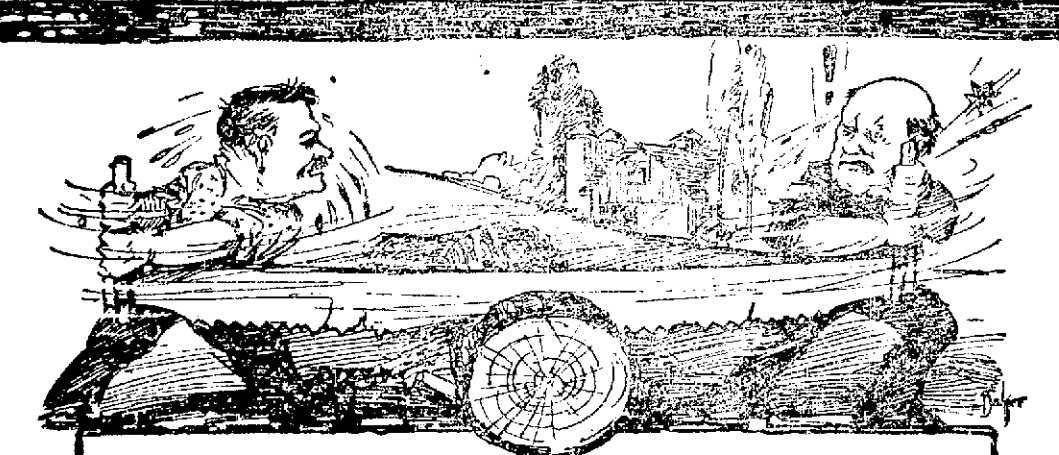
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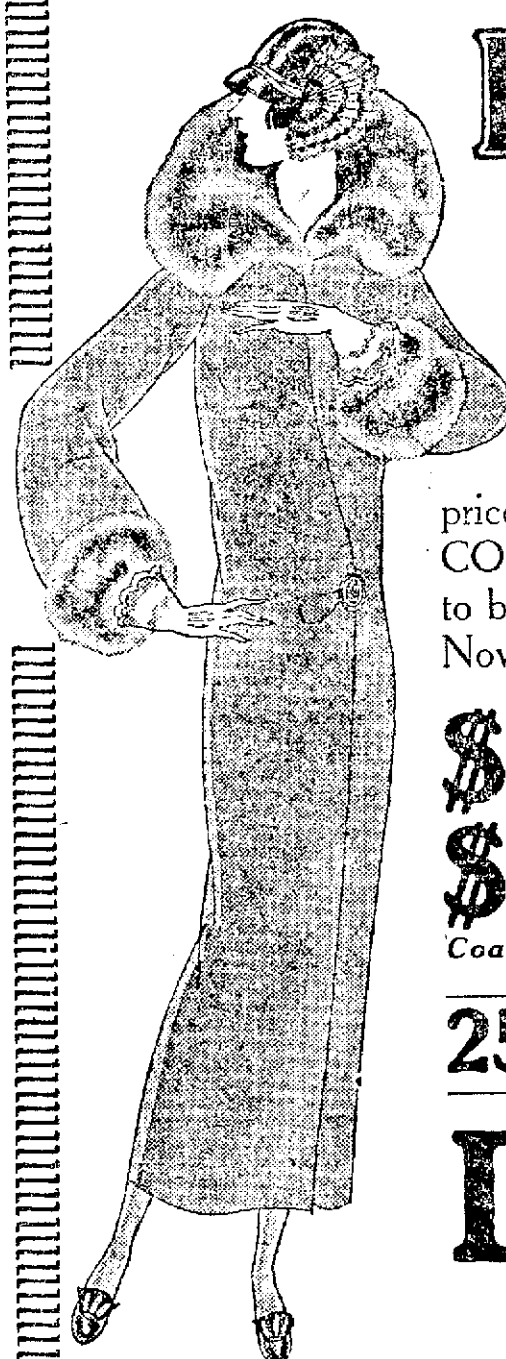
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—Psalm 119: 28.

## Uses of Opposition

THE National Budget Committee, which is a voluntary association, requests the newspapers to point out the fallacy of a suggestion already interjected into the political atmosphere at Washington that inasmuch as the republicans have introduced a bill for tax reduction it is the part of democratic members of congress to oppose the project. It is a sound request. We do sincerely hope that democratic members of congress will not oppose tax reduction. But we doubt that any chorus of newspaper warning will line the democratic delegation up behind the Mellon tax bill, although most of the public agrees that the bill is substantially a good one. That is not the way that politics is played. The republicans themselves have frequently shown the democrats how to obstruct and hinder desirable legislation for political purposes, meanwhile protesting that they were all for the reform sought in the bill at issue. So with the Mellon bill. It is idle to point out that the democratic platform and democratic party leaders have been not less vociferous than the republicans in urging and promising tax reduction. They will pick all the flaws they can in any republican bill, and still maintain that they are for tax reduction. The republicans, should they lose their slender majority in the next election, will do the same thing. This is a bothersome but necessary accompaniment of party government. And it is not as entirely useless a method as it sometimes seems. Mighty few pieces of legislation are hole-proof; mighty few are beyond improvement by criticism and debate. It is our way, perhaps the only way, to test and temper legislative theory for practical service. We hope the democrats will not forget that they are recorded in favor of low taxes. But we also hope that they will go over the Mellon bill with a fine-tooth comb. The opposition is a mighty useful section of our government machinery, even though it occasionally greatly distresses the majority in its operations.

## Give Him Air!

IT is a custom of long standing in the city of La Crosse to grant taxpayers an extension of time by council resolution for the payment of their annual bills to the municipality, which are otherwise delinquent after January 31. Tax-paying time comes right after the holiday season, when Paterfamilias is usually less flush than the average, and the extra grace has been a boon in many cases. In the last two years the city has established a further precedent of perhaps even more importance, which it is to be hoped will not be forgotten this year. That is the passage of a resolution permitting the payment of taxes in installments extending over several months. This is even more of a convenience than the older extension of time, for in many cases small property-owners find it difficult at any time to gather the whole amount of their taxes in one lump. Payment in two or three installments, even though the city requires a small interest payment on the unpaid balance, has proved a great convenience.

In some states semi-annual tax payments are the regular procedure, and it might not be a bad idea for Wisconsin. There is no particular reason why the city or the state should impound the whole of its tax revenue a year in advance, when a great part of it is to lie idle for months to come. But there are many reasons why the taxpayer finds it a hardship to pay his entire public indebtedness at the first of the year. The addition of federal income tax to his other obligations adds an extra burden that makes January and February months of financial worry for many a citizen.

The federal government now accepts income tax payments in quarterly installments. The city cannot do exactly this, because its share of state and county taxation, which consumes a large portion of the revenue, is due early in the year. But it can, and should, permit the taxpayer who so elects to spread payment of his share of the purely municipal expenses over several months.

## Real Adventures

HOW'D you like to be Stanley Carlson, who rigged himself out as a human porcupine to slay wolves in Canada for government bounties? He has a cowhide suit covered with sharp spikes, wire mask and spiked gloves. He invites wolves to attack him while he swings his ax. It looks safe enough, from a distance, and alluring. But most of us wouldn't trade the monotonous jobs we so often grumble at.

More attractive is the new job of Allan J. Gerbault, ocean adventurer. You'll recall he navigated a 30-foot sailboat across the Atlantic in 143 days. He'll spend the next two years sailing his boat alone in the Pacific where he expects to visit every French island. However, any one who has ever seen a real storm at sea will say: "I'll stick to my dull routine and not change places with Allan."

Most of us are forever yearning for adventures. What we want are the glory and thrills, not the cold and material side. Adventures involve hardships which are a "heap sight" better to read about than to experience.

It looks fine, for instance, the idea of casting civilization aside and starting north on an exploring trip. The dazzle of sunlight on polar ice would soon send the average person scurrying home. If that failed, the bitter weather and scant rations of rough food would quickly give the average man his fill of "adventure."

People don't really want to experience adventures. They just imagine they do. Cunning fiction writers know this, so they soft-pedal the disagreeable side. For instance, it's fine to read about the ghostly far-off midnight tom-tom in the jungle. The picture is spoiled if the writer tells about the adventurers being devoured by mosquitoes.

Even the adventurer has to pay in full for his joys and thrills. That's natural law and he can't escape it.

## Phenomenal

MILDRED Manseau, 17, milks 30 cows every morning before breakfast. Then she walks a couple of miles to school, where she has not been late in two years and leads her class. She lives near Lancaster, N. H.

Newspapers in New England print her picture with a write-up. A generation ago, when people worked from sunrise to dark, Mildred wouldn't have attracted much attention by her toil. Today, anyone who knocks out a lot of work before breakfast is unusual enough to attract newspaper publicity. Our generation doesn't appreciate what a "soft" life it has. Ask an old man—or woman.

## Neighbor

AMERICANS now have 850 million dollars invested in industries in Canada, we're told by Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general manager of the Bank of Montreal. That's about \$100 for every man, woman and child in Canada. Politically Canada's a part of the British empire. Industrially she is closer to America, and not only geographically so.

## CHURCH NEWS

Furnished by the Church News Association

When men and women who carry the burdens of American churches by doing the volunteer work look back over 1923 they see a large measure of that efficient management which of late years has been going into industrial ventures going also into churches. Since the World War most of the large religious bodies of America have wholly recast their plans for general administration, and during 1923 all got in a full year on these new lines. In most cases national councils function, and they have departments comparable to great businesses. These departments, in all bodies, handle \$200,000,000 a year at least, and now handle it, so they believe, with as little cost for overhead, and as low expense of administration, as industrial, commercial and other enterprises show.

Bodies so to have adjusted their general affairs, include the Roman Catholic, Methodist and Baptists both north and south, Presbyterian, Episcopal, Congregational, Lutheran, Reformed and Disciples, besides some of the smaller bodies.

In some parts of the country this efficient management has gone during the year now ending into local churches. National Councils of Episcopal, Presbyterian and some other bodies have called upon lay people to carry efficiency forward to the unit, the local church. These local churches cost to maintain some \$500,000,000 a year, and if each dollar is made to do twice as much, any one can figure out the enormous gain. In 1923 the total gifts of the American people to their churches reached \$550,000,000—\$200,000,000 general and \$350,000,000 local. This figure does not cover charities, education, or European and Japanese relief. A very large share of the latter funds are given by members of churches; probably a larger share than most people imagine.

New York is leading in the founding of Service Training Schools for volunteer church workers. Curiously, till 1923 it has been assumed that men and women offering to serve as trustees, directors of church organizations, social service and the like, must know without being told just what to do and how to do it. Schools have been founded to train ministers, and to teach a few people, chiefly women, how to serve as pastors' assistants on salaries. These schools are new, volunteers have gone in as tyros. These schools that a and they are so unlike the traditional schools that a new name has been given them. That name is "Service," which means good service, things to do as distinct from mere belief.

A striking feature of this efficient progress, developed during 1923 to a large extent, was the planning of business blocks and putting churches inside of them. There is a growing conviction that too many causes are thrust upon benevolence. Hence wherever it is possible, buildings owned by churches are committed to earn incomes from rentals of stores, hotel rooms, apartments and even restaurants. The growth of this idea, and plans to carry it forward, were great in 1923 than in all past years together.

## 1924 WILL REWARD THE FORESIGHTED!

BARSON POINTS OUT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESS MEN

WELLESLEY HILLS, Mass. — Roger W. Babson, internationally known statistician, reviewed developments during the past year and outlined the probable trends for 1924 in a special statement issued today.



"A year ago," says Mr. Babson, "business was still improving rapidly. Nearly everybody turned to the year ahead optimistically. The boom which started in the early fall of 1922 was well under way and carried on to March of 1923. Then it collapsed! Business fell off during the summer and this past fall failed to come up to the expectations of those who looked for a continuation of the up-swing. As a result, the business world is facing 1924 with a confused mind. It is safe to say that the majority of business men today are hoping for a boom year, but if they are strictly honest with themselves they must admit that they are not very confident of seeing these hopes realized."

"Many prominent men in industry have prophesied great prosperity. At the same time, the numerous blocs represented in the new congress are evidence that certain sections of the country, at least, are not satisfied with things as they are. Many business men, if asked if they are making money, will shake their heads in a disturbed way. Europe is still sick and we cannot expect to proceed regardless of conditions across the Atlantic."

"Then there is the psychology of the presidential year. Does it mean better business or worse business? Some people contend that things are always unsettled previous to a national election. Others point to the fact that the administration will do all that it possibly can to help between now and next November."

"It has been proven statistically, to my satisfaction at least, that elections have very little effect on business one way or another, provided both sides nominate good candidates. The evidence shows that business has a decided effect upon the elections. Whenever we have chosen a president during a period of business depression we have usually changed parties. If the election has fallen during a period of business prosperity we have usually kept the previous administration in office. This time neither condition really exists. We are in a period between these two extremes."

## Three Kinds of Business

"It seems to me that the things to watch are in an entirely different direction."

"Business activity may be divided into three zones or belts. (1) An upper zone, such as we were in during the war and post-war periods, when everybody is optimistic, excited and everybody is making money. (2) A lower zone, when everybody is discouraged, and when a readjustment such as we had in 1921 and 1922 is taking place. (3) A middle zone, when conditions vary from only fair to what is called quite satisfactory business. This third zone is what we have been traversing for the latter part of 1923 and is the one in which we are today. It is these periods between abnormal prosperity and depression, when things are neither very bad nor extremely active, that are healthiest for the business world."

"Excessive prosperity, like very bad weather, saps our vitality, inflates our currency, and drives prices out of all proportions to true values. Such a period encourages speculation rather than honest effort, and upsets our sense of value and the true proportion of things. Again, the inevitable and ensuing period of depression is heart-breaking. It discourages men and wrecks businesses that have been a lifetime in the building. Its costs are written not only in dollars but in human life, in want, and in human suffering. In business, as in weather, moderate conditions are healthiest."

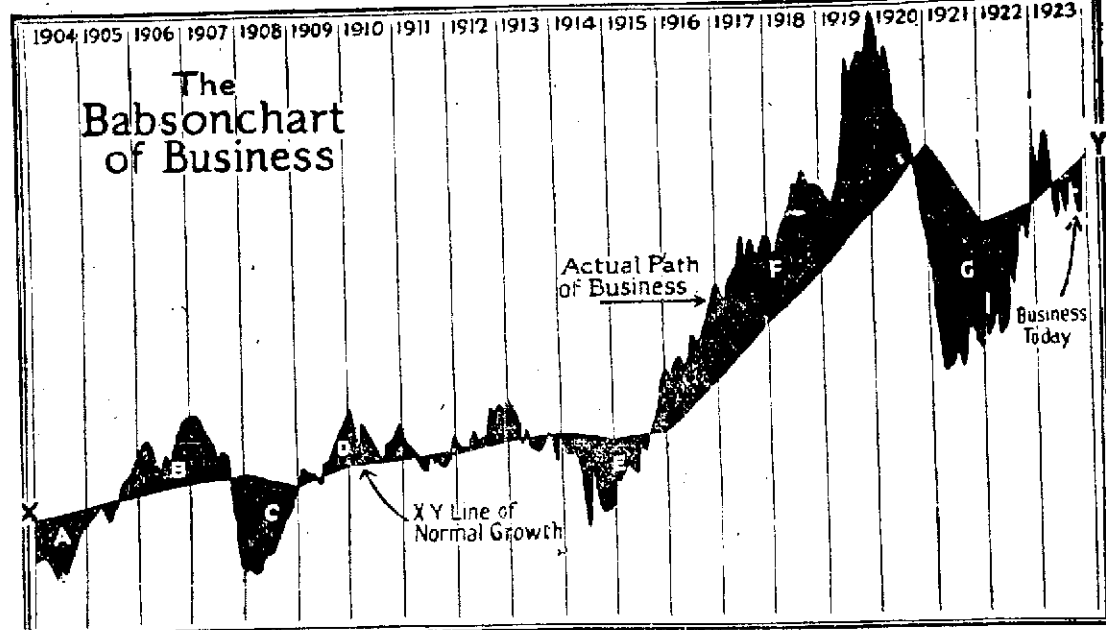
"Unfortunately, however, a large proportion of American business men are happy only during a period of boom. They are like the individual, who can be comfortable only when it is 80 degrees in the shade. Most of the time they are unhappy. It stands to reason that these business men, who insist that they must have money, profits in order to do business and make progress, cannot have this condition for a quarter of the time. In this case, three quarters of their business lives are spent in waiting for this particular business season in which they are ready to operate. They are not contented with business when it is in the central zone and are extremely unhappy during a depression."

"The entire business community would be much better off if we complained of excessive booms as we do of severe depressions, and if we welcomed the moderate conditions, which neither so very bad nor yet extremely good, as the proper business weather. We ought to have of this sort of condition than any other, and the wise business man will set his plans to operate under these circumstances."

## 1924 Central Zone Year

"The facts indicate that we shall have such a year during 1924, even though some of it may be below average, rather than above. 1906 and the early part of 1907 saw a boom and inflation. The panic of the latter year took us down into a period of depression lasting through the early part of the years 1909 and 1910. We then enjoyed fairly good business along this central zone until 1914."

"A depression in 1914-15, the foundation for a fairly average year in 1915, which developed into a period of the abnormal prosperity of war years, carrying us to a peak at



the beginning of 1920. Because of the inevitable operation of the law of action and reaction in business we have suffered the most precipitous decline in business history. 1921 and the first half of 1922 are 'black' in the business man's memory and are 'red' on his books. In the middle of 1922 improvement set in and with the help of propaganda it o'er shot itself in the spring of 1923. Then we settled down to fairly good business and may expect to continue somewhat along this line during the coming year."

"An important thing to remember, however, is that a study of the law of action and reaction suggests that Area G below the average line on the attached diagram, should eventually equal the big boom Area F above this line. More than half of this readjustment period has already elapsed. How fast the remainder will develop remains to be seen. Those who wish to galvanize business into abnormal activity are therefore working against the fundamentals."

"What if business is most of the time below the average line during the coming months? This really doesn't matter. So long as we keep within a few points, one way or the other, from our X-Y line of average growth, we can progress steadily and make money without fear of the extreme fluctuations and mal-adjustment characteristic of high booms and deep depressions."

"What the Barometers Show — Those who are exceedingly optimistic for the next twelve months would call your attention to car loadings which for 1923 ran ten per cent over the highest in history. This, they say, indicates great manufacturing activity. Building permits during the last year have run 32 per cent above 1922, which set the previous high point. Bank deposits are large, and money is plentiful. The oil situation is improving and the motor industry, they say, looks good. To this, I answer yes—and the mail order and chain-store business is improving and the crop situation is proving an exciting cotton—and there we have a 20 to 40 cent staple!"

"Against these optimistic signs we have many of our basic industries suffering from excess factory capacity. Volume has held up, but profits have dwindled and many large manufacturers are trying to readjust costs so that they can continue to operate without a great loss. Foreign competition is becoming an increasing menace. But all of this is of temporary nature and when the water has risen behind the dam to a certain point it begins to run over the top."

"Some are already feeling this foreign competition. Others will probably have to take it into account before the year is out. There is a peculiar thing about the foreign situation. If matters get worse over there we shall share in the shock which will go around the world. On the other hand, when things clear up over there, it will not be the signal for a rush of exports to this country? Either way we look at it, it is a problem."

"Distribution costs, in the meantime, are increasing rapidly. Increased production usually spells lower cost to make, but higher cost to sell. In trying to keep all of our factories busy all the time, we have developed a very effective sales organization, but the fact of the matter is that the number of things which the public is asked to buy has increased more rapidly than our national purchasing power. The automobile, the radio, and a score of others of the newer necessities and luxuries have come in to take a part of the money which heretofore was spent for other things. Competition for the consumer's dollar has grown exceedingly keen and has caused distribution costs to increase unreasonably."

"Finally, we are still suffering from a serious mal-adjustment between the prices of various groups of commodities. The price that the farmer gets for his product is in most cases low. The price that he must ask to pay for the things he must purchase, however, have seen no such reduction. It is obvious that we can't have healthy trade when the farmer can get a thousand dollars for his crop but is asked to pay two thousand dollars for what he wants to buy."

"In this connection it is also necessary to remember that the farmer is an original producer. The dollar that he works through our commercial machinery starts with him and we can't have any degree of 'business boom' unless the farmer is in the market and is buying freely. Has it occurred to you that the greater part of the activity of the past year has been in the distribution of our goods? Traffic has been heavy. The wheels have been going around, busy in carrying the goods from place to place, but

not profits can almost be summed up in the following equation: Add together the gains made of all correct decisions, subtract from this the loss on mistaken decisions and you have net profit. "No matter what way the wind is blowing it can be made to sail a ship if you will but set the sails to the wind. Likewise every change in business conditions offers opportunities to the business man. 1924 will be no exception. I say confidently that any man in any business who will take the trouble to adjust his plans to conditions as they are—instead of as he might wish them—can make profits during these next twelve months. 1924 will reward the foresighted. Get the facts and go ahead."

Summary Barometer Readings  
Bullish  
New building permits are running 32 per cent above last year. This activity spells business for the building industry and the thirty allied industries. Certain government contracts which were postponed will be brought forward during the coming months.

High crop value. Total crop value nearly \$900,000,000 above last year. A large factor in our economic problems.

Bank statements. Most recent reports for both Federal Reserve System and National banks indicate a sound position. Plenty of credit available for legitimate enterprises.

Money rates. Ample gold reserves point to a continued easing of money rates. The level of interest charges should work downward and bond prices profit thereby.

Railroad earnings. The railroads, with some exceptions, are in better shape. Gross earnings per mile are running 17 per cent above last year, while the net is more than 27 per cent better. This is the best showing in more than ten years. The railroads should continue to buy equipment, though on a smaller scale than in 1922.

Bearish  
Failures. While failures for 1923 ran below those of 1922, they increased rapidly during the last quarter. Liabilities of \$76,865,758 in October, for instance, are compared with \$77,293,174 for the same month in 1922. January will be rather heavy both in number of failures and liabilities. A retarding factor.

Europe. Foreign competition is becoming an increasing menace. Producing costs abroad are much lower than ours and we must expect increasing competition from foreign goods.

Labor. Labor costs are not yet readjusted. War time wages are still the rule in many lines. Immigration restrictions and the power of the unions account for much of these conditions.

Business profits. In spite of increased manufacturing activity, high labor costs and increasing distribution costs have cut deep into industrial profits. Profits are a more accurate barometer of true conditions than mere activities.

Commodity prices. Agricultural prices and general industrial commodity prices have been quite thoroughly deflated. An analysis of 108 raw materials at present indicate that 40 are in fairly stable positions, 15 are obviously too high and should sell lower, and about 23 are well liquidated and may work higher. Cost of manufactured products, however, has seen no such readjustment. The farmer has seen the price of his products drop 45 per cent from the high of 1920. As a result, the farmer's real purchasing power is materially reduced and he cannot be expected to buy freely until there is a more equitable adjustment between what he gets and what he pays. A distinctly bearish factor until some readjustment is made.

## 31 MOROS SLAIN IN CLASH WITH CONSTABULARY

MANILA.—By The Associated Press.—Thirty-one Moros were killed in clash with sixty soldiers of the Philippine constabulary at Marikina, in Lanao province, island of Mindanao, on December 18, according to a dispatch received here from Major Fletcher, commander of Philippine scouts at Zamboanga.

There were no casualties among the members of the constabulary force. At least twenty-five Moros are believed to have escaped during the fighting.

The Moros were accused of cutting wires maintained by the constabulary. The clash occurred at an abandoned cottage where the Moros had encamped. They were under the leadership of Dato (chief) Pata.

The year 1923 broke all records in crude oil production.

# "YANKEE METHOD" COLLARS TRADE OF THE ARGENTINES

Blunt System of American Dealing Beats Out European Diplomacy

EVEN HIGH RATE OF EXCHANGE OVERCOME

American Goods Rule Market on Quality Basis

BY JAMES COLLIER (Special Correspondent to the Tribune)

BUENOS AIRES.—The close of 1924 finds American business in Argentina on a more satisfactory basis than ever before with an absolute domination of what European competitors like to refer to as "Yankee methods."

Despite European propaganda to the contrary, South Americans have learned to like business relations with the "Yankee" Americans, because now they know that if they go to an American firm they will get a straight "yes" or "no," with assurance that all contracts will be fulfilled to the letter. American business may not be handled with Alfonso O'Connell verbosity, but the goods are delivered when and as promised.

**Despite High Exchange**  
With the exception of textiles, and perhaps hardware and some other commodities which cannot meet European price competition, American goods are selling in Argentina as never before, and this despite the fact that the high dollar exchange adds from 25 to 40 per cent to the price. All American specialties and goods which sell on a quality basis absolutely control the market, although the prices are much higher than those of European competitors.

One of the most important features of the development of American business in this present basis is the forty-night express steamship service of the United States, which enables American representatives to deliver goods within 30 days of the date of order, whereas formerly it required from three to four months to make deliveries.

**Yankee Banks**

Most American manufacturers have transferred their business to American representatives, and American banks now have their own branches here, so that the American manufacturer is able to entrust his business to Americans, ship in American bottoms, secured by American insurance, make financial arrangements through American branch banks and control his cash over the dollar wires, thus insuring business success which has not always been certain hitherto.

Having gained control of the Argentine markets despite unfavorable exchange rates, there seems to be no reason to believe that American business will not continue to hold the predominant position in Argentina.

**S. D. FARM PAID FOR IN YEAR**

MELLAUGHILLIN, S. D. E. H. Billings, a farmer of the McLaughlin district, demonstrated this year that, even with the comparatively low prices of farm products, it is possible to pay for a farm of 160 acres with the proceeds of one season's crops. Last spring Billings purchased a farm of 160 acres northeast of McLaughlin for \$20 an acre, or a total of \$3,200. Billings broke and seeded 100 acres to corn, which yielded a total of 1,826 bushels, worth \$3,688. His wheat and barley brought him enough to make the total value of this year's crop reach \$4,090.52. He has 15 acres left on which there is a good crop of native hay.

**Doctor Has Curious Hobby**

Dr. Fred A. Stengel of Marion, Ohio, has the curious hobby of collecting exchange coins used by residents of the United States. Dr. Stengel has in his collection specimens worn once by President Lincoln, Abraham Lincoln, George Washington, John and Robert, in addition to a pair worn by George Washington and which Dr. Stengel himself tried.

**TOWN TOPICS BY HARRY M. CURTIS**



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# WOULD YOU MARRY A GIRL TO REFORM HER? SUCH IS THE TALK AROUND TOWN

Seemingly there is no question that school says: "Marriage does seem to be talked about without introducing an argument. If there is such a question, the writer would like to know, as personally she has never been able to talk peacefully. There always seems to be flying words whenever she introduces a subject."

Getting down to the question, ask you if woman ever married a man, to reform him. Immediately there are two factions among the question. When it is all over with the writer pops the next question—do men marry girls to reform them? Again there is a wild yelp and the whole affair simmers down with nothing definitely settled.

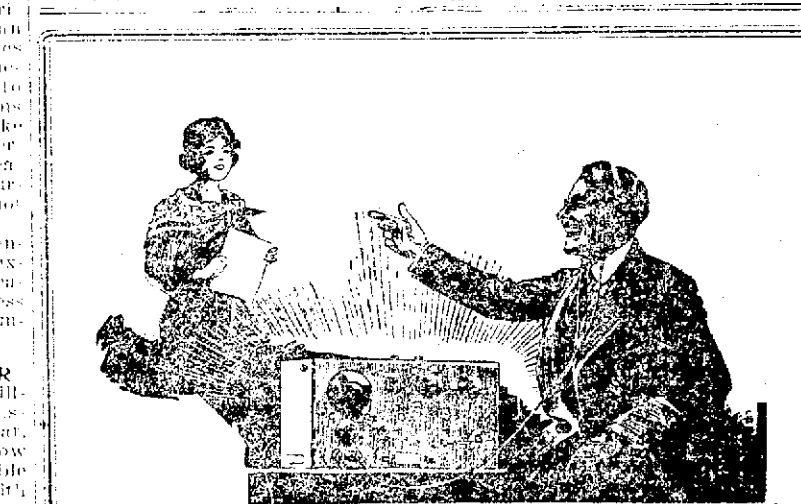
A local school boy, who still has hopes that the world is pure and good, and that marriage exists on love entirely says: "Why no one has ever married except for love. Love is one of the greatest things in the world, and it hurts me to think that anyone would marry for anything more so. I know this much, that I am going to marry for love, and the girl I marry will have to marry for love, too."

In inter contrast to this statement, a girl from the same high school says: "Love? People don't believe in love any more. The question now is, how much money has he got, and will he show me a good time. Believe me, this love business sounds pretty and all that, but it isn't quite the thing for me. The first man that proposes to me and has money is going to get me so quick that he won't know what it is all about."

**He's Going to Marry for Love**

Proceeding from the high school, we approach the normal school. Boys at that institution are much the same. One of the most popular men in the school gave the following statement: "If a woman ever married a man to reform him, it was primarily because she loved him. As a man, I am going to marry for love, and the girl I am going to marry will have to love me as I haven't much else to offer."

A popular athlete from the same



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from the ceremonies that I have performed myself. Most of the couples that I have married have been tremulous with love during the betrothal scene. I have seen love marriages and blessed these marriages with all my heart. People that marry for other reasons than love, very soon find out that it was one of the biggest mistakes of their lives. I wish I could make all young people understand that love is one of the biggest factors of life and that by it our lives are guided."

A young business man says: "There is nothing more beautiful in the world than marriage. Girls and men that marry for money are never happy. They can't be because marriage is such a close relationship that it must be based on love. If I were a rich man and knew that a girl was marrying me for my money, I wouldn't have her, even if I loved her myself. I am fully convinced that there is no marriage like the love marriage."

During the endless series of talks that people give on the question the fact of reform seems to play a very little part. Everyone discounts the idea of reform unless love precedes it. No one seems to give a serious thought to the actions of young girls today. These things are looked upon as more or less of a joke. Yet there are people that propound the idea that the younger generation is riding the wrong way just as fast as possible. Yet when the marriage question is considered they think and say that the young people just like to create an impression and that with marriage they will settle down.

It's a funny old world.

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# FOUR NEW ACTS OF VAUDEVILLE TO BE GIVEN AT RIVOLI

Starting today the Rivoli theater will offer four acts of Orpheum vaudeville for the New Year's holidays with a feature photoplay. The vaudeville will continue through Tuesday.

Zimmerman and Grandville who created such a furore at the beautiful Chicago theater, will appear in a sporting array of costumes of their native Swiss Alps. Their number is a distinctive novelty act and features native Swiss songs and yodeling. Wrigley's Spasmatic Kids and the Gold Dust Twins as well as the trade marks and names of most nationally advertised commodities are used by Joe Reeves, "The Kid Glove Kidder" in a pleasing poetic recitation. His

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Tansy, Wheaton, and Tansy will offer a novelty number called "Two Boys and a Swede." The act is replete with laughs from start to finish. The Swede furnished amusement for all. The concluding number on the bill is an original skit offered by Page, Mack, and Mack.

**BIG TIMBER WOLF KILLED**  
MONROE, Wis.—Melvin Bowman, Adams township farmer, brought to the office of County Clerk Mazie V.

Bowman, the carcass of a 23 pound wolf he shot after following its tracks four miles. This is the first wolf bounty claimed here in many years. Mr. Bowman's brother, Ole, fast discovered the tracks as he examined some traps near a stream. Thinking they were those of a fox, the men trailed them until they came upon the wolf in a patch of woods, asleep in hazel brush. It measured 55 inches from tail tip to tip of nose.

The spider monkey is so called in account of its extremely long, slender limbs and long tail.

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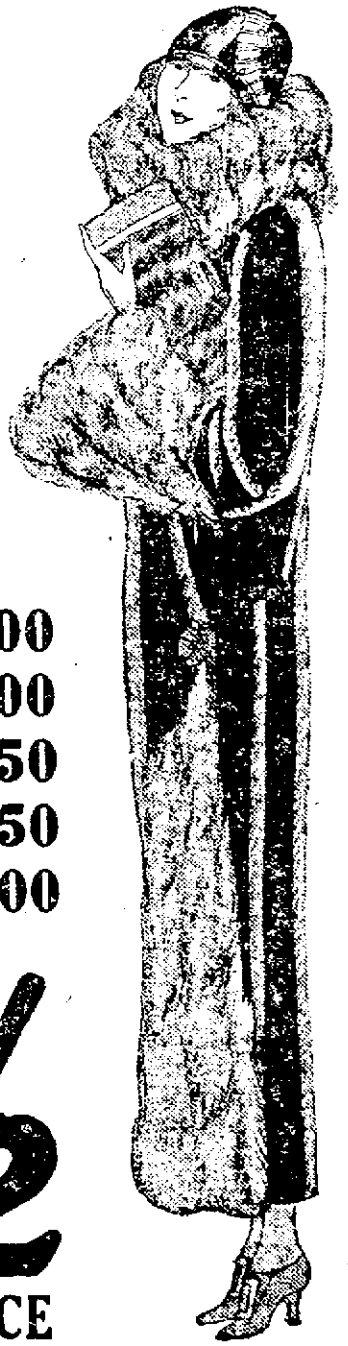
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# RUSS RECOGNITION TO BE FIRST ACT OF LABOR REGIME

New British Premier Expected  
to Befriend Russia and  
Combat France

BRITISH TORIES WRITE  
AT PROSPECT OF CONTROL

Offer Asquith Own Terms to  
Tip Over Labor

By A. G. GARDINER  
(Special Dispatch to the Tribune)  
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LONDON.—Recognition of the Russian Soviet government will be one of the first acts of the new Labor government. The conservatives are raising a outcry against the idea, but the decision is a foregone conclusion, as the Liberals are in broad agreement with Labor on its European policy. It is equally assured that Ramsay MacDonald, the new prime minister, can count on Liberal support in adopting a new attitude toward France. The late election was not only a defeat for Stanley Baldwin, but was almost equally a decisive declaration against Premier Poincare's Ruhr policy.

**Labor Soon in Saddle**  
The Christmas festival is over, and London awaits the new year with an unprecedented curiosity, not unshared with alarm. No doubt now exists that three weeks hence the first labor government in history will be in power and the fact is creating great perturbation in the moneyed classes.

It is strange to see the Conservatives stretching imploring hands to their ancient enemies, the Liberals, to save them from the wrath to come. Agonized appeals are being made to H. H. Asquith to stand in with the Conservatives against the Red tide. If he cared to, he might make his own terms for resuming office, and be hailed as the savior of this country, with assurance of the obedient support of his former opponents.

The Harmsworth press, after having reviled Mr. Asquith for ten years, now is groveling before him as the Man of Destiny, who alone can turn back the flood of bolshevism. But Mr. Asquith and the Liberals will have no alliance with the Conservatives, will not vote for their dismissal, and will not accept office as the price of their support. Hence the road is clear for MacDonald and Labor. Labor's animus toward the Liberals is more intense than toward the Conservatives, but they will owe office to the Liberals and will hold office only so long as the Liberals approve.

**Wonder About Program**  
There is much speculation, in these circumstances, as to MacDonald's course. Will he choose to break with the extremists and accept the position of caretaker for the Liberals, or will he plunge with extreme proposals, challenge the Liberals to join the conservatives against him and go to the country with a predatory policy?

The writer's view is that he will go cautiously and aim at creating a good impression on the public, especially as it is clear that the right of dissolving Parliament and of ordering a new election in case of defeat will not be conceded. In that case, the king would certainly read for Mr. Asquith and invite him to form a government. The latter unquestionably would accept, without negotiating for the support of either conservatives or labor, leaving them with the responsibility of supporting or defeating him as they saw fit.

But the present disposition of Mr. Asquith is to give labor a fair run, and within well defined limits, support. If MacDonald drops the idea of a capital levy and the extreme proposals of socialism, there is no reason why he should not have some months in office.

It is generally assumed that Mr. MacDonald will decide to be his own foreign minister and his close connection with Democratic forces in the continental countries is expected to give an important and far-reaching impulse to the foreign policy.

## U. S. TO SEND SIX SKATERS ABROAD

LAKE PLACID, N. Y.—Six American speed skating champions will be sent abroad to represent America in the Olympic races, Henry Uhlen, vice president of the International Skating union, announced Saturday night at the close of an executive committee meeting convened after the final trials here Saturday afternoon. So keen has been the competition and so close the finish of the events, Mr. Uhlen said, that the committee felt powerless to select or designate four men who should skate in the Olympics. It was decided, therefore, to send the six men abroad, to continue on shipboard and overseas and allow them to contest among themselves for the privilege of filling the four places as representatives of America.

The men are Charles Jewtrapp, Lake Placid; Harry Kasky, Chicago; Valentin Bialis, Lake Placid; Richard Donovan, Saranac Lake; William Steinmetz, Chicago, and Joe Moore, New York.

## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SERVICES FOR SUNDAY

The following services will be held Sunday at Immanuel Lutheran church, Avon and St. Paul streets, Julius W. Bergholz, pastor: Services in German at 9:30 a. m.; services in English at 10:30 a. m.; New Year's eve Confessional and Lord's Supper, 7:30; New Year's Day services in German, Confessional at 9:30 a. m.; Services in English at 10:45 a. m.; Ladies' Society meets for election of officers on Friday afternoon, January 4.

Annual meeting of Y. P. S. Friday evening, 8:00 o'clock.

## 300 REDMEN AT THE FUNERAL OF CATHOLIC PRIEST

FORT TOTTEN, N. D.—Three hundred Indians were among the 600 persons who attended funeral services here Saturday for Father Jerome Hunt, the priest who translated the Bible into the Sioux tongue and spent over two score years as a missionary among the Indians. Father Hunt died Friday. Two Indian societies organized many years ago by Father Hunt were well represented at the services and each supplied six honorary pall-bearers. Catholic clergymen from all parts of the state attended the service. Bishop James O'Reilly of Fargo presided.

## HOPE ABANDONED OF FINDING ANY OF AIRSHIP'S CREW

PARIS.—The Associated Press. Hope has been abandoned of finding any survivors from the missing French dirigible Dismude, and the government late Saturday began sending high officials to the families of the fifty victims to extend its sympathy and also to express its admiration for the heroic qualities of the airship's crew.

All available warships are being concentrated for an organized search of the Mediterranean in the vicinity of Sicily, where the body of Lieut. Du Plessis De Grenadan, commander of the Dismude, was found, and this search will be continued until it is quite certain that nothing more can be learned of the fate of the great dirigible that vanished in the night.

The Dismude is officially regarded as lost at sea. All the French land forces in Africa as well as the civil authorities are on the alert for any information, but the search in the southern Algerian region was abandoned Saturday, the searching parties being ordered to return to their posts.

The sea search, however, is hoped to yield something eventually. The fact that nothing has yet been found is not discouraging these efforts and squadrons of airplanes will fly over the water hoping to spy something in the depths that may clear up the mystery. It is hoped a message of some kind perhaps a floating container, may be found.

## WAUSAU BANK'S PRESIDENT HELD

WASHERBURN, Wis.—M. H. Sprague, president of the Northern State bank at Wausau, which recently failed, was arrested here late Saturday charged with embezzlement. Bail was fixed at \$10,000, which he failed to provide and he was lodged in the Bayfield county jail here. The arrest followed investigation by the state bank examiner of the recent failure of the Wausau bank. District Attorney J. J. Fisher, Sheriff McDonald and bank examiners made the arrest.

## SURE DEATH SEEN IN HOOSH SERVED AT NEW YEAR REVEL

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ed since the larger hotels and the palaces of dance and food on the north, west and northwest sides will be kept tightly careful watch on what comes out of a gentleman patron's hip pocket or the muff of his fair companion.

But despite all this, managers of the city's largest and finest places said that reservations are far in excess of any previous occasion, and of course much liquor will be drunk. Cover charges range anywhere from \$4 to \$20.

## San Francisco: Fifty prohibition agents, augmented by police operating under the Wright state prohibition en- forcement act, will be on the lookout for restaurant and cabaret operators who supply liquor. But—they admit that because of the difficulties of ob- taining convictions, they will not waste persons carrying their liquor to distant places. And that's what most of the modern drinkers do.

New Orleans: "A very happy" New Year is predicted for the largest crowd of guests New Orleans has entertained this winter. Thousands are already here for the races and every train brings more. Hotels and cabarets are preparing elaborate wakes for those who have come with faith in creole vivacity.

## Great Supply on Hip

In the hotels, it is true, no liquor will be sold. But gallons of it will see the New Year in from under the tables. And in the cabarets—if Christmas precedent is followed—the bottles will sit right out on the linen and look the New Year and everybody else in the face.

Importation of liquor by way of the bayous along the Gulf of Mexico and roads which sneak into the city through the swamps has been so heavy that not even the Christmas and New Year's demands were enough to push up prices.

So—drink hearty, brother. And here's hoping you may live to drink another day.

## MORE ARRESTS MADE IN CHICAGO COUNTERFEITING

CHICAGO, Ill.—Five additional arrests were made Saturday by federal agents in their efforts to run down the band of counterfeiters involved in the making of imitation of \$10 federal reserve notes. One of the five was said to be a former convict and others comprised an entire family, including two school girls.

## NO FIRE DRILL AT DUNNING IN TWO YRS. PROBE SHOWS

Nurse Says Patients all on First  
Floor on Level With  
Ground

CHICAGO, Ill.—There had not been a fire drill within two years in the annex building at the state hospital for the insane at Dunning where a fire Wednesday night cost the lives of eighteen patients, according to testimony given before the coroner's inquest Saturday.

The witness was Miss Alma Hansen, one of the nurses at the institution. She testified, however, that the reason for this was that the first floor of the building, the only part used for patients, opened on the ground level with numerous exits in the form of doors and windows, and no one had ever considered the building other than safe in case of fire.

"I did not realize how quickly a fire could spread," she said.

Mrs. Hannah Sanders, another attendant, said that there had been fire drills in the building, but the patients were merely made to stand, and were told that this was the fire drill and that when a fire occurred the patients were to march out of the building.

Mrs. Sanders testified that virtually all of the patients under her care smoked, but none were allowed to carry matches.

"The attendants always lighted the match and assisted the patient in lighting his smoke," she said.

Mrs. Margaret Gunn, another attendant also said that as far as she knew there had never been any fire drills in her ward, or in the annex building.

## WAR MATERIALS NOW AVAILABLE AT DEPOTS ON BORDER

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financial advantage that might attend such sales to make sure that none of our surplus equipment is employed in encouraging warfare any place in the world. I am writing a similar note to the secretary of the navy and shall confidently expect the co-operation of both departments in adhering to this policy."

## Held Prohibition on Arms Sales

At the time of its publication, President Harding's letter was generally construed as a blanket prohibition upon any sales of war material to foreign countries. Decision of the Coolidge administration to make the sale contemplated to the Mexican government was taken, however, as meaning that in cabinet circles, either a more liberal construction has been placed upon the Harding policy statement, permitting each question of sale of arms to be solved upon its merits as it arose, or that the present situation in Mexico and the desire of the United States government to see a stable government maintained there, and insurrectionary outbreaks discouraged, justifies a departure from previous policy.

There is little doubt that the decision to sell arms to Mexico met with some opposition in the war department. Army officials would not talk of the matter for publication, however. Whatever they may feel as to the policy involved, they have no function of advice, except in purely military matters and in the present case, probably have not been called upon to say anything more than that the army had in storage surplus stocks of arms sufficient to meet Mexican requirements without depleting necessary reserve stocks for the American forces.

## To Ratify Second Convention

Significance is attached to the clause in the state department's brief statement calling attention to the recent restoration of diplomatic relations between Mexico and the United States. The Obregon government has already procured ratification by the Mexican senate of their special claims convention, one of the two pacts worked out by a joint commission to pave the way for formal diplomatic recognition by the United States.

## Silence on Mexican Question

Up to the present time, the Washington administration has maintained complete silence as to its views regarding the uprising against the Obregon government in Mexico. At the same time, however, great emphasis has been laid in all recent official communications with Latin-American countries and the press and radio, on Secretary Hughes, which touched on the policies of the United States towards Latin-America upon the extreme importance attached in Washington to stability of the other governments of the Pan-American group.

## Tuxpam Port Joins Rebels

WASHINGTON.—The garrison of the port of Tuxpam, state of Vera Cruz, under the command of Col. Ismael Rueda, Saturday joined the revolutionary movement headed by Adolfo De La Huerta, according to a message filed at Vera Cruz at 2:30 p. m. by the acting secretary of foreign affairs, to the revolutionary organization, to friends in Washington.

The message described the development as important, "not only because of the number of troops it gives us for field service . . . but because it yields the revolutionary movement absolute control of the entire oil region of which Tuxpam is the port."

Declaring that the Obregon garrison went over "amidst keen enthusiastic applause of the people," the message continued, "this garrison is composed of the Seventh battalion of the line, 400 dragoons occupying Agua Nictla, 800 men under the command of Lieut.-Colonels Silva and Diaz, as well as other smaller bodies,

making a total of troops who have adhered to the movement 1,800 men. This has been brought about without any bloodshed whatsoever and constitutes a great advantage to our arms."

**In State of Anarchy**  
BROWNSVILLE, Tex.—According to A. Z. Hopkins, former editor and manager of the Havana Telegram, practically all of Mexico outside of Mexico City, is in a state of anarchy. Mr. Hopkins, accompanied by his wife, arrived here Friday night from Mexico City. A few days before the present revolution he was in Progreso, Yucatan, and went from there to Vera Cruz. He left Vera Cruz on one of the last trains for Mexico City. Mr. Hopkins declared the rurales, or mounted police of the capital, have been disbanded and their rifles sent to the soldiers on the Vera Cruz front. Train service has been interrupted by troop movements.

**Advance on Vera Cruz**  
MEXICO CITY.—By the Associated Press.—A general advance upon Vera Cruz (rebel headquarters), extending from Tehuacan to Apizaco, has been ordered to begin Saturday under command of General Eugenio Martinez, according to Puebla special dispatches. This follows receipt of a report from General Juan Alvarez Almazan to the effect that the rebels have evacuated Tehuacan and are retreating in the direction of Oaxaca.

President Obregon has moved his headquarters from Tlaxcala to Tuxtepec, following the evacuation of the town and La Barca, by the Estradistas (rebels). Meanwhile work of repairing railways torn up by the rebels and rebuilding the bridge over the Lerma river near Ocotlan, is being rushed feverishly.

Federal soldiers, for the purpose of distinguishing themselves from the rebels, are wearing bathbands bearing the slogan "Death to traitors."

## Armistice News to Obregon

MEXICO CITY.—By the Associated Press.—"I know nothing about it," President Obregon is quoted as declaring in specials from Tlaxcala when he was informed that Mexico City newspapers were publishing reports to the effect that De La Huerta had suggested an armistice for the purpose of settling the presidential succession.

The present revolutionary activities in Mexico are the result of a wrong move, who is to succeed President Obregon. Under the Mexican constitution, a president cannot succeed himself. There are a number of aspirants, including General Calles, the Obregonist candidate, and De La Huerta, who is the leader of the rebel movement.

## Rangers Guard Border

AUSTIN, Texas.—By the Associated Press.—Texas Rangers are to assist federal authorities in stopping reported violations of the neutrality laws along the Mexican border. Governor Pat M. Neff announced Saturday in a statement addressed "To The People of Texas," in which he admonished them to take no part in the present Mexican revolution.

The statement followed the visit here of J. L. Schleimer, who came from Mexico City as an envoy from Pres. Obregon. Schleimer brought to Governor Neff's attention the border situation as viewed by Obregon. The substance of the warning issued by the governor was wired to President Obregon at Mexico City Saturday.

Many complaints of depredations, consisting principally of smuggling ammunition and horses to the Mexican revolutionary forces, have come to the governor's attention, he stated. He directed attention to the penalty of \$3,000 fine or three years imprisonment for neutrality violations.

## See Huerta's Finish

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Reports Saturday that Mexican forces had begun an offensive toward Vera Cruz were accepted by the Mexican consulate here as indicating that the state of the De La Huerta uprising is in sight. Arturo Melias, consul general, said once Vera Cruz again is under control of the federals, peace would be restored quickly throughout the country.

Persons here familiar with Vera Cruz hold that the rebels have little chance of escaping from the city if it is attacked from even two sides and reports indicate the stronghold would be approached from three directions. They claim it will be a case of De La Huerta's followers raising a white flag before the fighting begins or be driven into the sea.

## "MISSING LINK" MAY STILL BE HIDDEN IN ORIENT SAYS EXPERT

CINCINNATI, O.—Anthropological proof which will definitely link together the ancestry of man and the animal world is not far off. In fact, it may be discovered any day through research work now being conducted. This is the opinion of Dr. L. A. Fairchild, professor emeritus of geology at the University of Rochester, who spoke here Saturday night before a general session of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"The very narrow gap between the higher living primates and the genus homo may be closed almost any day by new discoveries," he declared. "Already we have a number of suggestive semi-human fragments. It should be realized that only a small part of the world has been carefully examined; a large part of the Orient, the probable field of human development, not at all. America and western Europe have been explored, but the vast areas of Asia and Africa are the hopeful fields. The 'missing link' may not long be missing."

## \$1,750,000 DEPARTMENT STORE FOR MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Construction of an eight story building at a cost of approximately \$1,750,000 to replace part of its present store, to start about January 15, was announced Saturday night by L. S. Donaldson & Company, local department store.

Last year more than 1,200,000 persons visited the 15 national parks of the United States.

## ANOTHER FEDERAL CHIEF DENIES RUM LIST KNOWLEDGE

Commissioner Blair, Internal  
Revenue, However Says 21  
Names Being Investigated

WASHINGTON, D. C.—By The Associated Press.—Still another government official, Commissioner Blair of the internal revenue bureau, on Saturday denied all knowledge of the mysterious list of rum purchases which has become the center of Washington's bootleg scandal.

For a day or two after the raid that started all the trouble police officials talked freely of the seizure of a list containing hundreds of names, and hinted that some of them would be taken away the breath of official and fashionable Washington if they were published. A threat of prosecution was made by the district attorney's office, and then the list suddenly sunk into a circle of denials.

Commissioner Blair's statement did refer, however, to a group of 21 names which he said had been seized and were being investigated. Then he added that other names had been contributed by those under arrest in the case; that fifty more had been contained in another list seized some time before, and finally that "a little black book" apparently also had existed at one time containing the names of several hundred.

Meantime indications increased that sooner or later both the police in the afternoon and in the internal revenue bureau would be called on to tell congress all they knew about the case. Representative Newson, republican of Minnesota, sent a second letter to Commissioner Blair, in charge of District of Columbia police, repeating his request for facts concerning the seizure of the list and the extent to which diplomatic immunity prevails in the holding of liquor.

District Attorney Gordon Saturday took over prosecution of the case.

## P. E. CHURCH PLACE HINGES ON MODERNS BEING RECOGNIZED

Manifesto Issued by Dr. Tyson  
in Answer Announcement  
of Bishops

NEW YORK.—By the Associated Press.—Modernist champions of the Protestant Episcopal clergy announced Saturday that peace could come in the existing schism only if the fundamentalists were prepared to grant them liberty of thought and "their own place in the church as loyal sons."

The manifesto, contained in a statement issued by Dr. Stuart L. Tyson, vice president of the Modern Churchmen's union, was in answer to Friday's announcement that a half dozen bishops, including Bishops Manning and Lawrence, had met with prominent laymen of the church in the first of a series of conferences designed to end the existing controversy.

Dr. Tyson, who previously had said his organization had not been invited to yesterday's peace conference and knew nothing of it until informed of the meeting by newspaper men, said his statement was issued "on behalf of the modernists generally."

"If these conferences are to lead up to an American association for the advancement of religion," the statement said, "wherein the modernist will be granted liberty which he unreservedly accords his fundamentalist brother, the whole unhappy quarrel automatically will come to an end."

But the modernist, Dr. Tyson added, "will not cry 'Peace, peace, when there is no peace.'"

## NOTABLE PLAYS TO BE PRESENTED BY BEACH-JONES CO.

Several noted plays are in store for devotees of stock at the Majestic Theater, where the Beach-Jones Stock Company will hold the boards for the coming weeks.

The play opening with matinee and evening performances today and continuing for Monday and Tuesday, "Alas Nora O'Brien," is a snappy comedy giving Elsie Sitzer, "The Little Redhead," one of her best parts as Lady Constance Darcy, a madcap Irish Noblewoman, who disguised as a waitress, Mr. O'Brien, employed in America, wins the man of her choice and has the time of her young life in so doing. The entire Beach-Jones cast are seen to especial advantage in this bill.

One of the real high spots of the engagement is "Welcome Stranger," announced for the last half of the week, with Guy Beach, in his greatest character comedy role, of Isidor Solomon, a quaint little Hebrew, who comes to a small New England town to find rebuffs on every side, on account of prejudice against his race. How he wins the whole town over to him through his goodness of heart, proves to be one of the most appealing stories staged in many years.

## JAP BILLIARDIST WINS

NEW YORK.—Taduo Sugnumma of Japan, Saturday night successfully finished the defense of the national junior 15.2 ball line billiard title against Jean Bruno, Austrian champion, in their challenge match of 1,200 points. Sugnumma Saturday night ran out his final block of 400, beating Bruno's 253 points. The total scores were 1,200 and 649.

## MARYLAND HILLS ECHO TO SOUND OF MOONSHINE WAR'S RIOT, FEUDS AND AMBUSHES

GERMAN COMPANY  
IN LIGNITE FIELD  
IN THE NORTHWEST

Teutons Have Patented Process  
for Distilling Peat for Com-  
mercial Purposes

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Initial steps in a huge program of scientific development of the northwest's lignite coal fields will be taken early next spring, it was announced here Saturday night by Max Toltz, nationally known engineer.

Mr. Toltz said he had definite knowledge of signed contracts entered into by a German corporation and by a number of Northwest financiers for the construction, installation and operation of a series of rotary retorts at Beach, N. D., next spring.

The contracts entered into also make provision for the utilization of a German patented process of distillation of lignite with a resulting "half coke" and a number of by-products. The life of the contracts run over a long period of years, Toltz said.

The German corporation owning the patented process of lignite distillation is Thyssen & Company, Dueseldorf, the largest iron and coal company of Germany. This company is represented here by Dr. Hugo Melzwarth. The Northwest financiers were not disclosed by Toltz. Dr. Melzwarth visited with Toltz Friday and Saturday and will return here next week. The contracts for the construction of the rotary retorts will be let in the near future to some Twin cities concern, according to Toltz.

With the advent of the new industry, Toltz predicted a general use of lignite as a domestic and industrial fuel. The patented process to be employed at the new plant at Beach has been perfected in Germany during the past two years and in many respects is similar to the Belgian process of lignite distillation. American rights of which have been purchased by Henry Ford.

## "ALKY" STOLEN FROM ABERDEEN COMPANY

ABERDEEN, S. D.—One hundred and twenty gallons of alcohol and a quantity of narcotic drugs, the amount of which has not yet been determined, was stolen from the Jewett Wholesale company here early Saturday night. The alcohol, at bootleg prices, is easily worth \$4,000, while the value of the narcotics may run higher. The thieves gained entrance to the building through a basement window and loaded the alcohol into an automobile. The fireman at the building approached just as the automobile was driven away. No clues were left by the thieves.

## PLAN OFFENSIVE TO COUNTERACT OTHER GROUPS

(Continued from page one)  
land that a president has other methods of dealing with congress than the veto system if he chooses to employ them. President Roosevelt used the big stick. President Wilson employed "pitiless publicity" to hold the "willful ones" up to public contempt. Both methods were effective. It soon may be up to President Coolidge to devise his own particular plan of action. Mr. Coolidge is not a spectacular man, nor is he given to spectacular ideas. It may be that he will be content to work his way and his will through the organization of the administration bloc which will function on the floor of congress.

The president has a splendid adviser on congress in the person of his secretary, Mr. Clegg. Secretary Clegg served long in the house of representatives and knows the congressional game from the inside. He will be able to give the president valuable pointers as to the best methods to pursue without infringing upon the constitutional prerogatives of congress as a separate and distinct branch of the public service.

**Far Next November**  
The politicians say Mr. Coolidge gave the country a straightforward message. If, however, the republican party is unable to carry the promises of the message to fruition it is realized there may be a strong reaction which would adversely affect the president as well as the congressmen and senators who must submit themselves to public judgment in November, 1924.

A splendid campaign organization is springing up in behalf of Mr. Coolidge all over the country, but the real work of his re-election lies within himself and the manner of his dealing with one of the worst jumbled up congresses that ever kept a president awake at night.

## S. D. BANK CLOSES

PARK RAPIDS, S. D.—The Farmers' State bank was closed at noon Saturday by the board of directors. Rumors concerning the financial condition of the bank caused a run, depleting the cash resources. Officers believe the institution will be reopened soon.

## ESTRIDGE BEATS CARBINE

NEW YORK.—Larry Estridge, a hard hitting negro, was given the judge's decision after twelve rounds Saturday night over Frank Carbine, who holds a decision over Young Stribling, the Georgia boxer. They met at the New York middleweights.

The quantities of whisky purchased for all the public hospitals of New York city during any recent year was 700 gallons.

## WESTERN SECTION IS TERRORIZED BY SAVAGE STILLERS

Officers Dare Not Go Into Hills  
Where 500 Stills are in  
Full Blast

BY J. E. NOLAN  
(Special Dispatch to the Tribune)  
Copyright, 1923  
HAGERTOWN, Md.—A series of old time mountain feud outbreaks, with the now almost forgotten accompaniment of night raiding, indiscriminate shooting, and plenty of free-for-all fights have terrorized this section of western Maryland. According to Sheriff Richard Duffy, of Washington county, the situation is almost beyond control and it is likely the state will have to reinforce the local law and order officials.

Behind it is a series of unsuccess, full efforts on the part of the authorities to stamp out illicit moonshining in the mountains. Hundreds of gallons of liquor are daily manufactured and sent north into Pennsylvania and New York and east to Baltimore and Washington, and conservative estimates place the number of stills in the mountains between here and the Pennsylvania line at 500. There is no doubt that it would be as much as an officer's life would be worth to try to interfere. The natives are silent. They know a bullet in the dark would follow any giving of information.

## War Month Old

For more than a month now the moonshiners have been running wild. They are accused of dynamiting a saw mill, wrecking a church, killing one man and wounding four and endeavoring to shoot up Smithsburg, one of the largest county towns. They have these methods of service, rather than as their fathers did before them. But there is this difference. Their fathers made only corn whiskey for their own use and that of their neighbors. They were not in the business on the wholesale scale that now prevails here.

Christmas eve Chester Smith, leader of the Sandy Hook mountain "buddies" so called, interfered in a quarrel between Billard Goodhart and his wife and Goodhart shot and killed Smith. A band of the latter's followers tried to lynch Goodhart and were only subdued after a fight. They openly boast that when they get ready they will "string him up" and regard as of the officers of the law.

John Cline, a giving information on, suspected of giving information on, the near his property was shot at his home burned and his saw mill dynamited. He was then warned to leave. His reply has been to get himself a couple of high powered rifles and pistols and he declared he will stay home and protect himself. Elmer Munson, son of the keeper of the Woodmont Road and Hunt club also was shot from ambush by members of another family with whom he and his relatives had a feud. So far the sheriff has failed to make any arrests.

In the mountains a number of escaped prisoners are reported hiding, the best known being Herbert Bishop, who, after being arrested by Baltimore deputy marshals, charged with using the mails to defraud people of thousands of dollars, escaped. He has said word that he will stay where he is and is being protected by the mountaineers.

The Black Rock Methodist church just over the line in Pennsylvania was stoned, and the congregation driven out Christmas night by a mountain and headed by a 73-year-old moonshiner. Two members of the congregation were beaten and their wives slightly injured while the interior of the edifice was completely wrecked. Thursday night Smithsburg was shot up by a gang but the townspeople were able to arrest five of the band. They are now in jail and will be given a hearing next week. Their friends threaten to aid the place to rescue them and all of the guards at the jail are heavily armed.

The entire trouble is directly traceable to moonshining and law-abiding members of the community say they will appeal to Governor Ritchie for protection.

## OBITUARY

**STEPHAN GILBERTSON**  
The funeral of Stephan Gilbertson was held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 from the home, 921 Ferry street, Rev. H. G. Magelsen officiated and interment was made in Oak Grove cemetery.

**CHARLES ROSS**  
Word was received in the city Saturday of the sudden death on Monday of Mr. Charles Ross, a former La Crosse resident. Mr. Ross for a number of years has been engaged in business in Portland, Ore., and had





## A STORY OF THE NEW YEAR IS A DIFFICULT THING TO FIND ACCORDING TO A CUB

"We shall write of New Year's to-day," growled the city editor, glaring at the young cub, that stood waiting for her orders.

"Yes, sir," said the cub, "what shall I get?"

"Go out on the streets and get something!"

The tone indicated that it was best for the cub to make herself scarce, so out on the streets she started.

Up and down Main street trudged the cub. What could she write on New Year's when there wasn't even any snow on the ground, when it wasn't even cold enough to make young girls resolve to wear some underwear.

Sixth street was dull. Fifth street was the same. Fourth street offered no excitement. Third street seemed deserted. Second street was almost as bad, and Levee park, well there never is anything doing there in the day time. Main street was busy, but the people didn't offer any suggestions to the cub, and Pearl street was the same. Where was the cub to find a story on the New Year? With the big boss feeling hard boiled she dared not risk returning without a story.

What to do was the question? Again she raced up and down the streets. Suddenly she felt pains in the region of her stomach. Hunger! She must eat, story or no story. Really her soul felt as though it were departing from the framework of bones that made her one of the mortals down below. To eat! She staggered to the nearest lunch counter and ordered a well done steak. Steak was the only food that would appease such hunger as hers. Steak! She glared in the steak that would eventually reach her and be thrust to her starving soul. Then she would be able to search for a story. To the ends of the world if need be.

A steak is never ready the minute one calls for it and while she was waiting, her ear, a long one, caught the conversation of a party at the next table.

"I am going to resolve to mend my stockings every time that I get a hole in them," said one dame.

"Huh," said the other, "you mend your stockings? I'd like to see you! You resolved the same thing last year, and I'll bet I can count the number of stitches you took, but I'm not an adding machine, so I can't count the number of holes that you wore in your most illustrious hosiery."

"Well," said the first, "I am going

to make two resolutions this year, one to mend my hose and the other to keep my resolution, so there!"

Right then and there the cub cried out, "A story, oh a whole of a story." With that she left hunger and starvation behind, including the steak which was just about to be served to her and dashed out on the street again.

Up Main street she flashed again. There didn't seem to be half enough people about to satisfy her now. And they all seemed to be in a hurry. Why, she did not know, but being in a reckless mood to please the big city editor she dashed after two men.

"What are you going to resolve to do on New Year's eve, and will you keep your resolution?" she queried.

"What the (bunk, blankety)." After much argument she persuaded them to talk. "Resolutions," said the taller one, "resolutions are not in my line at all. Why should anyone highly resolve to do a certain thing when he knows that he will never keep it or give it a second thought?"

The cub looked at the other man with a forlorn hope that he was the kind that would resolve, something, anything. But all he said was "Dit-to."

So they were trying to repulse her. Certainly the beginning of the year was the time for resolutions. And a story, she must get a story. Down the street she raced again.

Two little youngsters came along the street on roller skates.

The cub stopped them and asked, "What do you intend to cut out during the coming year?"

One of the children wrinkled his nose in a peculiar manner and said, "Cut out? I am going to stop throwing snow balls at de gents' hats. As long as dere ain't no snow, I can't

throw snow balls, so it's a safe thing to bet on."

The other child chirped in quick as a flash. "You mean resolutions what our fathers make? Well, they ain't no good. I have heard more people resolve not to smoke, and right while they are resolving they have a cigaret in their mouth."

Undaunted was the cub, however, and she scurried up the street. There must be someone that believed in resolutions. What good was the New Year if someone didn't take advantage of the opportunity to reform. Somewhere she would be able to find someone that would make a wonderful resolution.

She would seek women. There would be a kindred spirit among them and they would give her the desired information.

Standing on the street corner waiting for a car stood a woman. She looked like the kind that would resolve to do bigger and better things. The cub walked up and tapped her on the shoulder and asked her all about it.

"Of course I am going to make resolutions," the woman replied. "About the first thing that I am going to resolve is that my husband boys me a new washing machine, that all the children wipe their feet thoroughly before entering the house, and that my husband becomes less free with cigar ashes about the house."

"Oh gee," growled the cub. "Ain't it the berries the way people won't play up to your inspirations. I am going to quit this hard work and right here I resolve to get out of all the work and chasing possible. I am go-

ing to let the big boss know that he can't send me out for just anything!"

With that she gave the curb a kick, that hurt her big toe and she limped back to the office. She was tired and hungry and had no story. To the big boss' desk she limped and told her pitiful tale.

"What?" he yelled. "Have you been gone all this time and have the nerve to come back without a story. Get over to your desk and see if you can't at least file a couple of obituaries."

Such is the life of a much kicked about cub that tried her hardest to find a story on the New Year.

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### LINERS CARRY GARDENERS

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Huge quantities of cut flowers and many potted plants are used on these liners on every voyage. They have discovered that roses are not good sea travelers at all, regardless of expert care, but that chrysanthemums and carnations thrive on the rolling main.

Slot Machines in Ancient Egypt  
Ancient Egypt boasted a "funny-in-the-slot" machine, while one explorer found in the ruins of Nineveh a kind of magnifying glass, and nearly 4000 years ago the Egyptians and Assyrians observed the stars through a primitive telescope.

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

OFFICE OF THE CITY TREASURER,  
La Crosse, Wis., December 27, 1923.

Notice is hereby given that the Tax Role for all taxes assessed and levied in the City of La Crosse, La Crosse, County, State of Wisconsin, for the year 1923, with a tax warrant annexed, is now in my hands for collection, and that the taxes charged therein are subject to payment at my office in the City Hall, in said City of La Crosse, at any time prior to or on the 31st day of January, 1924.

P. S.—Memoranda bills are now being mailed, if for some reason taxpayer does not receive his bill before January 15, 1924, he should telephone, giving correct description of the Lots, Block and Addition of same.

Remember that only by co-operation can your City Treasurer give good service.

OFFICE HOURS—9:30 A. M. to 12 M., 1 P. M. to 5 P. M.

**J. GEORGE SCHWEIZER, City Treasurer.**

### RAILROADS CHARGE STORAGE

On freight left over-time. Why not arrange with us to take care of your freight hauling and avoid paying storage?

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ALL SIZES.

THESE ARE PERFECT in every way, style, workmanship and quality. They carry our guarantee of satisfaction or your money refunded. Although we have lots of them do not put off seeing them too long.

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Suedes in black, brown and log cabin; low and high heel satins; patent leathers—

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Ladies' all Linen Handkerchiefs, special  
Monday each  
Handkerchiefs—Main Floor.

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### The Year-End Sale of Yard Fabrics Offers Many Exceptional Values For Monday--- The Last Business Day of 1923

In order to clean up our stocks and make a good record for the last business day of this year we offer for quick disposal the following seasonable Dress Goods, Cloakings, Silks and Cotton Goods at much below their present market values.

36 inch all Wool Navy Blue Storm Serge, priced for the last business day of the year, per yard only—

**79c**

Remember, all wool; standard shade of navy blue; great value.

39 inch all Silk Satin Charmeuse, priced for the last business day of the year, per yard only—

**\$2.19**

Colors are navy blue, brown and black; a real high grade silk for dress wear; does not ruff.

54 inch all Wool Fine French Serge, priced for the last business day of the year, per yard only—

**\$1.79**

Comes in a perfect shade of navy blue; made by the Amoskeag mills and every yard first quality goods.

38 in. Genuine Jamestown Check Suitings, priced for the last business day of the year, per yard only—

**\$1.15**

Smart tan and brown check combinations; a dress material that will give great service.

36 inch New Printed Silk Blouse Crepes, priced for the last business day of the year, per yard only—

**\$1.79**

All neat attractive styles in wonderful color combinations. A practical silk for blouses.

36 inch Self Shadow Stripe Cotton Messaline, priced for the last business day of the year, per yard—

**59c**

If you have any lining needs come and buy this special. The color line embraces black, white and colors.

### SPECIAL ATTENTION

All our Winter Coatings are marked at prices that will make one want to have some one of these materials for a new Coat. See them in the Wool Section Monday.

### No One Should Be Without a Plentiful Supply of Hosiery When They Find Such Prices As Our Clearance Sale of Hosiery Offers

Clearance prices on Silk and Wool and other  
Fancy Wool Hosiery for Women.

We are closing out all our silk and wool and fancy wool Stockings selling at \$2.25, at a pair

**\$1.50**

All silk and wool and fancy wool Hosiery for Women now selling at \$2.50 and \$2.75, per pair

**\$1.75**

All silk and wool and fancy wool Stockings marked \$3.00 and \$3.50, will be sold at per pair—

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We have wonderful values in Women's silk and wool and woolen Stockings, at per pair—

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HOSIERY DEPARTMENT—MAIN FLOOR.

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POIRET TWILL  
DRESSES**

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**ALL WOOL  
DRESSES**

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**SILK  
DRESSES**

your choice—

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**SILK  
DRESSES**

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**\$10.75**



### SHEETS

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**\$1.39**

BEDDING SECTION—MAIN FLOOR.

### DAMASK

Mercerized Table Damask of good quality in a number of very attractive patterns, ordinary width. At the price quoted it will be very profitable for you to anticipate your needs for months to come, as this quality sells ordinarily at a higher price. Year End Sale

**50c**



## CORSETS

One lot of Corsets in various makes and styles, broken sizes only. There are Modart Front Lace, Bon Ton, P. N. Practical Front and Nemo Corsets in the assortment. Values from \$8.00 to \$7.00, Year End Sale, choice—

**\$3.98**

CORSET DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

### DRUGS UNDERPRICED

Creme Oil Toilet Soap, 10c cake, at per cake

**5c**

Laxative Bromo Quinine, 30c box at

**25c**

King's New Discovery, 60c bottle at

**47c**

Doan's Kidney Pills, 60c bottle at

**49c**

La Blache Face Powder, 50c box at

**43c**

Pond's Vanishing Cream, 35c jar at

**29c**

Pond's Cold Cream, 35c jar at

**29c**







# GIRLS ARE BEGINNING TO SMOKE STRONGER CIGARETS SAY LOCAL CIGAR STORES

In a read house not very far from La Crosse sat a girl, nonchalantly smoking a cigarette. Her manner was one of ease and she handled her cigarette skillfully. In fact she was an accomplished smoker and even exhaled her partner, a young man, when it came to blowing rings, exhaling the smoke through her mouth and inhaling it again through her nose, and making a figure eight while exhaling smoke through the nose. She certainly could show more than one man a thing or two about smoking.

Seeing a girl so proficient in the art of throwing smoke around, friend reporter decided to investigate.

And it is so. Girls are smoking more than ever. Why? No one seems to really know, but cigarettes are being sold.

Violet Miles, the one time favorite brand of all feminine smokers, has lost its style and snap. Girls are demanding stronger cigarettes and buy them practically any place in town.

Where Do They Buy? Seeking to find out about cigarettes, friend reporter visited all the restaurants and found that girls bought cigarettes at these places, but that they weren't very young girls that came and bought them there. The reporter searched her head and said to herself, "They must buy them some place, but where?"

Then with a gleam of intelligence in her eye she marched to the United Cigar Store, but she was again disappointed. Girls did come in there and buy cigarettes, but not very many. The man in charge seemed inclined to believe that girls were getting away from the smoking habit, and that if they did smoke someone else furnished their cigarettes.

It all seemed plausible, but somehow friend reporter knew that there were girls that smoked and smoked and smoked. On the corner of Fourth and Main she paused and sure enough while she was standing there a girl passed by and sticking out of her pocket was a package of Benson and Hedges, Russian cigarettes. That was real proof. If they carried cigarettes about on the street, they must buy them some place.

Practically every place in town had been questioned with no meaning of information.

Cigar Stores Sell 'Em At last a lucky inspiration hurried friend reporter to the S. and H.

Here seemed to be the place of all smokers. Friend reporter had to choke a cough as she entered the place. Yes, here was a place where smoking was

usually did exist. But there were no girls. More men!

Mr. Harry Cohen, proprietor of the smoking art, was questioned. Did girls smoke cigarettes? Well, they certainly bought them.

"We sell Churchill, Downs, Mah Jongg's, Violet Miles, Herbert Tarzans and Home Times almost exclusively to girls. Girls come in here every now and then to purchase cigarettes. Violet Miles are sort of losing out. They formerly were the biggest seller, but with the acquired art of smoking, girls are able to down a stronger cigarette now."

Sisters Must Not Smoke When Mr. Cohen was asked for his opinion of a girl that smoked he seemed reluctant to talk. However, he said this much, "If I ever caught one of my sisters smoking, there is no telling what I would do to her." He said what he would do to her, but modesty on the part of the reporter keeps her from telling it.

Mr. H. said, "Girls have as much right to smoke as anyone else. If they want to smoke it is their privilege. It is the same as the endless argument on bobbed hair. Men argued that women should not bob their hair, yet men shave and keep their own hair cut."

Another man chimed in, "Sure, girls smoke, and they all seem to smoke Tarzans. At least that is what I see, and I must say that they all seem anxious to smoke them."

Another man says, "Girls can smoke if they want to. There is no harm in it. It is simply a matter of individual taste. I do think, however, that girls should smoke in proper places. The home and cafe seem to be the place where women can properly enjoy smoking. I don't believe that they should become conspicuous because of smoking."

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anything to the man in question. A sister or sweetheart that smoked certainly would get a scolding from someone. Just why men should think it all right for some girls to smoke and to think it all wrong for those girls which they held in esteem to smoke, is not known. It is so, however. Girls with brothers will appreciate the fact as well as girls that have stern lovers.

When questioned as to whether they went out with girls that smoked, they all agreed that they did. Their opinions varied as to the sort of girl that she was.

"A girl that smokes when out with a man usually does it for effect and to get smart. She takes no pleasure in smoking and for the most part has to choke back many coughs from being an inexperienced smoker," said one.

"The girl that smokes is a girl of low means," stated one. "The fact

that she smokes gives her away." Yet they all agreed that there were some mighty nice girls that smoked and some mighty nice girls that didn't smoke.

Girls' Opinions Girls have different ideas entirely about smoking.

One young miss that can handle a cigarette very cleverly says, "If I crave cigarettes, I am going to have them, regardless of what men or anyone says about it. Women have some privileges and I for one mean to make the most of them. Men think just as much of the girl that can smoke with them, as the one that sits and looks on."

Another young lady says, "Girls don't really smoke for enjoyment. They smoke because the men that they run around with offer them ci-

garets. It is an act of courtesy to accept, and often an act of heroic strength to stem through one of the nasty things. The only time I smoke is when I am offered a cigarette."

"I think that smoking is degrading to any girl," says a local school teacher. "A girl that has any thought in her head about other things than a good time, will not smoke. A girl that is a good student does not smoke. Teachers are able to discern for the most part which girls indulge in the weed and which don't. I think my self that it is an abominable practice

and wish that drastic measures could be taken to prevent young girls from acquiring the habit."

There is no end to the ideas that various people have on the question. Smoke shops think that girls will continue to smoke and that the ranks of such girls will grow every day. It is a common occurrence now for a girl to enter any cigar store and ask for her favorite brand of cigarette.

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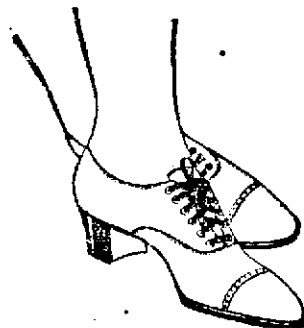
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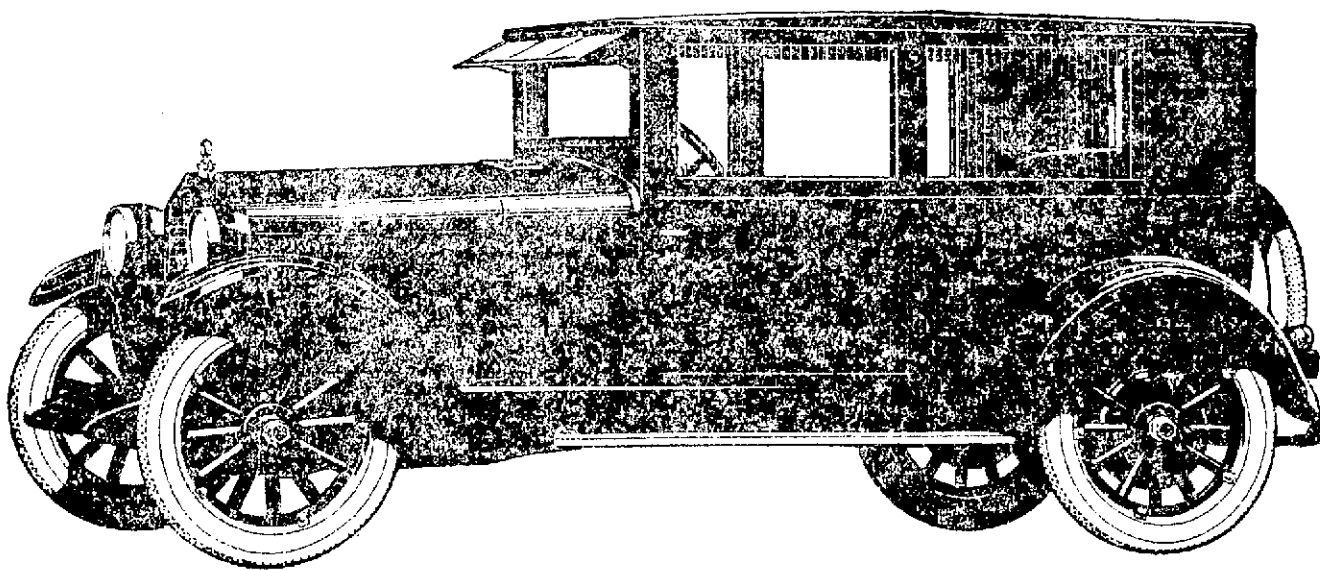
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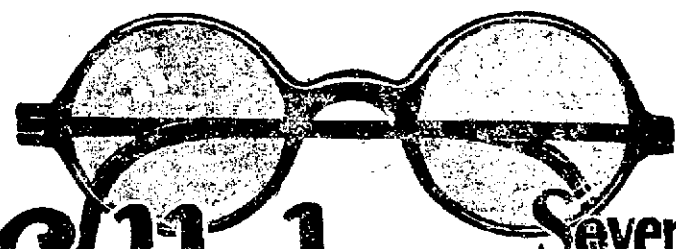
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## MEN YOU WILL HEAR ABOUT



This is the committee representing progressives in the House of Representatives that conferred with Floor Leader Nick Longworth and drew from him consent to liberalize the rules of that body. It was a really big moment in the history of the house. Left to right: Representative Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York, John M. Nelson of Wisconsin, and Roy Woodruff of Michigan.

## NOTES AND HALF NOTES

THIS department, as should have been stated last Sunday, was formerly known as "Things Musical," and is now entitled as above. It seemed more appropriate to a column which accepts contributions on non-musical subjects.

Old timers may be interested to hear of the tragic decline in the fortunes of Pauline L'Allemant, an opera star of former days. Do you remember way back when she came to La Crosse? It was on December 6, 1889, that she appeared at the La Crosse theatre, then under the management of Mr. F. H. Jankersson, with the Boston "Ideals," an opera company of great repute in those days.

Pauline L'Allemant was born in the city of Paris, France, in 1864. She was a soprano and a great singer. She came to La Crosse in 1889, and her performance was a great success. She was married to a man named L'Allemant, and they had several children.

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woods, where they now live and where the son supports his mother and himself in meagre fashion by working in a radiator factory. Sic transit gloria mundi.

A friend of ours is an amateur of the piano and, as he has no time to practice, his technique is ragged, as he himself admits. But he enjoys it nevertheless, and plays as often as he can, entirely for his own "amusement," as he overheard his maid say.

A friend tells me he got Egypt on the radio the other night. It went "Tut-tut-tut."

E. M. T. reports that at a concert in Chicago a gentleman with particularly long and musically looking hair sat in front of him, whereat a person seated nearby whispered to another: "That fellow must be a great musician—he has all the hair-marks."

Do you like puns? Personally we have always had a great fondness for them, and we would be very pleased to have contributors send in as many as possible to us, and the more the better. As for example the following, from some college journal, where one says to another: "That man looks like a musical sort of fish," and the other replies: "Yes, he's a piano tuna." That is our idea of real wit and humor.

We also have a penchant for riddles, as for example: "What is it that has eight legs and sings three times a day?" Answer next Sunday, if you like.

A perfect way to introduce a speaker—if you can get away with it—is the method which Bill Nye, the humorist of forty years ago, adopted in the case of James Whitcomb Riley. "First," he said, "I will speak till I am tired. Then Mr. Riley will read from his books till you are tired."

G. C. writes: "There are many more on eggs alone profit."

noble tributes to music to be found in literature, and this one from one of Plato's Dialogues has always seemed to me one of the most beautiful: "Is not this, Glaucon, why musical training is so powerful, because rhythm and harmony find their way into the secret places of the soul, bearing grace in their movements and making the soul graceful?" J. C. E.

## TEXAS OIL STOCK PROMOTER PLEADS GUILTY TO FRAUD

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Isaac C. Howard, one of three Fort Worth, Texas, oil stock promoters, indicted by the federal grand jury here, Saturday pleaded guilty before Judge F. A. Geiger, in federal court to using oil mounds to defraud in the sale of oil stock. Sentence was deferred until after the disposition of the cases against Edwin C. Kingsbury and Charles H. Kreich, also of Fort Worth, indicted on like charges. Their pleas are listed on the docket as for January 3.

Gasoline Once Was Worthless Not so many years ago, gasoline was a by-product in the distillation of petroleum, and was considered worthless. It was thrown away for years, it is now the mainstay of the oil industry and millions of gallons are consumed daily. This change has taken place in the last 25 years. Gasoline today is almost as great a necessity as coal.

Hens Average 143 Eggs Annually A flock of hens at one of the Ohio Poultry Experiment stations averages 143 eggs a hen a year. This average means that there are quite a few hens that lay more than 200 eggs a year. Figuring that a hen must lay at least 60 eggs a year to pay for to keep these hens average about 90 eggs over the cost of production, or \$2.25 per egg.

## CALEDONIA TO GIVE FIREMEN'S BALL IN JANUARY

Big Social Event of the Year  
is Now Being  
Planned

CALEDONIA, Minn.—The Caledonia firemen have arranged to hold their annual dance next month, the date not set. Fireman dances have for years past been the biggest and best social event of the season and this one will prove no exception. Last January nearly 400 tickets were sold, and the committee in charge of the 1924 event predict even a greater sale for this dance. The Union hall and the Caledonia orchestra have been engaged, and with the fire ladders "on the push" a good time is guaranteed to young and old.

Since the organization is purely voluntary, good-sized funds are needed to maintain the equipment. They have recently purchased a truck and plan to equip it as fully as funds will permit. Let's all out with our dollar and smash another blow to the arch enemy to life and property, fire.

Miss Mary Lockenberg of Freeburg, and Miss Glynn of Reno visit at friends at Caledonia Wednesday evening. The Kaysons were defeated by the La Crosse Reims at the City Hall Wednesday by a score of 38 to 5. Since this is the first game for the local "gators" a better game is looked for next time.

Mrs. Arthur Mackey of Minneapolis is spending a short time at the H. P. Nelson home in this city. County Engineer C. H. Lund left Thursday morning on a week's vacation. He will visit friends at Chicago.

Emmet Ryan, employed at the Democrat office at Richland Center, Wis., returned to his duties Thursday morning, after a short visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Ryan.

Miss Lucille Lammen returned to Austin, Wednesday afternoon a week's visit here with her father, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Souffert returned from Preston Thursday morning. Archie Scottfield was a Caledonia visitor between trains Wednesday. Harry Hill of Minneapolis, and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kenne of Duluth are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hill.

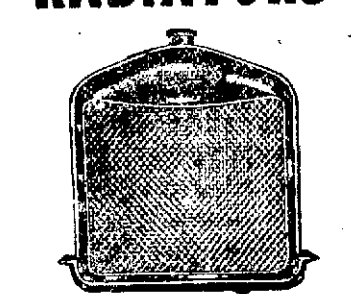
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennowitz of Shell Lake, Wisconsin are here on a visit with relatives. County Agent W. D. Stegner was at Ortonville, Minn., last week visiting home folks. Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Collieran of La Crosse were guests here Christmas Day with the Sprague families. Frank J. Green of Reno attended to business matters at Caledonia Thursday. Ed and Carl Kreuzer of La Crosse, were here last week visiting old friends.

Mrs. Geo. N. Schmitz was a La Crosse visitor Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Houlihan and family of La Crosse, spent Christmas here visiting at the Ed. Houlihan, Sr. and Clem Houlihan, home of Minneapolis. Leslie Murphy of Chicago and Joe Murphy, a student at La Crosse Normal, spent Christmas here with their father P. C. Murphy and family.

Joseph Krimerer and friend, J. Butler of Minneapolis spent a few days here, last week visiting the former's sisters, Miss Theresa and Lucy Krimerer. Edmund McConville of Hibbing is a guest of his mother, Mrs. J. M. McConville this week. Mayor Harold Lammen of Hibbing, Minn., was here last week visiting his father.

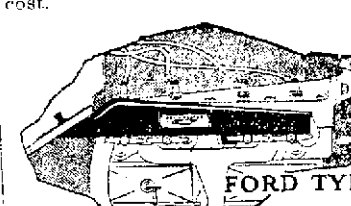
Jake Lovett, who is employed in state contracting work near Dakota, Minn., spent Christmas day here with home folks. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hoesfeld of Owatonna, Minn., spent Christmas day here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Rhines. Miss Violet Stewart, a teacher at Beloit, Wisconsin, spent her vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Stewart.

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WILL NOT HELP SITUATION

Anglo-Saxon Notion Forgets  
Carrying Out Treaty

BY ANDRÉ TARDIEU  
Former French High Commissioner to  
the United States  
Special Radio Dispatch to the Tribune  
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PARIS.—The year 1923 ends in  
darkness and confusion with no  
visible solution of any of the pending  
international problems, while new  
causes of uncertainty are arising.

The Ruhr, properly exploited after  
the occupation, might have been a  
solution of the reparations problem. But  
it should have been made perfectly  
clear that this was far from the  
outset. However, owing to lack of  
preparation and firmness, this direction  
was not given, and today we are again  
waiting for proposals from the reparations  
committee's experts.

Many Frenchmen have no con-  
fidence in the success of these proposals  
because they will be of Anglo-Saxon  
origin and therefore they do not  
believe Anglo-Saxons are fitted to  
solve European problems. The Atlantic  
is wide and considering the physio-  
logical differences, the English char-  
acter is equally wide. As a single  
example they remember the wild an-  
tagonism over the demer conference.

Must Be Continental Plan

Again the Anglo-Saxon physicians  
are mistaken about their patients' dis-  
eases as they were mistaken in 1919 in  
brusquely abolishing inter-allied or-  
gans which grew out of the necessities  
of war and which were still necessary  
for the organization of peace. It is  
feared that the same cause again will  
produce the same effects.

What does this mean, except that  
any plan for ending our mis-  
understanding must be of continental  
origin and must be made by continental  
men. We have certain ex-  
perience in our own affairs which our  
partners beyond the sea and channel  
lack.

Our world's illness is not acute, but  
chronic. It grows slowly worse, but  
does not threaten a sudden crisis. The  
trouble lies in the world's disorganiza-  
tion.

The situation after the armistice  
was an abnormal one, requiring a con-  
tinuation of those exceptional methods  
which brought Germany's capitulation.  
But nobody would admit it. After the  
hard discipline of the war, the allies  
wanted the relaxation of independ-  
ence. The losers took advantage of  
the opportunity to avoid the conse-  
quences of defeat. Everything that  
was signed in 1919 was rescinded and  
anarchy resulted.

Encouraged Berlin

The Anglo-Saxons bear the initial  
responsibility for this condition. The  
Anglo-Saxon idea of helping the losers  
to their feet was perfectly cor-  
rectable to France, but on the one  
condition that the losers were to be  
made to respect the dispositions of the  
treaty. Neither Washington nor Lon-  
don took any account of this condition,  
and therefore Berlin took their legiti-  
mate proposals as encouragement of  
general resistance against the treaty.  
Therefore, Germany's sterile resis-  
tance is the fruit of Washington's and  
London's chicanery.

France was wrong in not placing  
herself at the very outset in 1920  
and 1921, on the firm ground of her  
rights by summing her convention  
signatories to an observance of the  
written engagements.

For the great problems of the day,  
there are two kinds of solutions—con-  
structive or individual. If France asked  
her allies yesterday to choose be-  
tween these two methods, would she  
not gain an immense moral advan-  
tage therefrom?

There is no time to lose. For how-  
ever great Europe's difficulties today,  
they are nothing compared with an  
other war. The writer does not pro-  
pose war, but whoever knows the  
facts will agree that Germany is ac-  
tually as if she thought war was a cer-  
tainty. As she alone has this attitude,  
there is nothing easier than to pur-  
sue her belated aspirations by a  
clear affirmation of the desire of the  
rest of the world for peace.

There was a marked excess of  
births over deaths in every state in  
the Union in 1921.



MISS ELODA SITZER, of the Beach-Jones Stock Co., which opens its  
second successful week at the Majestic Theater this afternoon, offering  
"Alias Nora O'Brien."

GENOA NOTES

GENOA, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. Thor-  
penson and little daughter went to  
St. Francis hospital for several weeks.  
Late, Francis and mother spent  
Christmas with the family. Mrs. Henry  
Kirkham and Mrs. J. J. Kirkham, who  
were in St. Francis hospital, returned  
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MOVIES

AMUSEMENT CALENDAR  
FOR THE WEEK

RIVOLI  
Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—  
Earle Williams, Jane Novak and Ben  
Alexander in "Jealous Husbands" and  
Orpheum vaudeville. Monday and Tues-  
day—Merrill comedy, "High Life" and  
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and  
Saturday—Mae Murray in "The French  
Doll"; International News and "Kinky,"  
a comedy.

MAJESTIC  
Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—  
The Beach-Jones Stock Co. in "Alias  
Nora O'Brien" with Eloda Sitzer, the  
Little Redhead.

WEDNESDAY, Thursday, Friday and  
Saturday—Beach-Jones Stock Co. with  
Eloda Sitzer in "Welcome Strangers."

RIVIERA  
Sunday—"Isobel"; Leather Pushers.  
Monday and Tuesday—Alice Joyce in  
"A Scorching Ring"; Christie comedy,  
"Choose Your Weapons."

Wednesday and Thursday—Tully  
Marshall in "Ladder Jinx" and Mer-  
maid comedy, "This Way Out."

Friday and Saturday—Nim Duncan  
in "Smashing Barriers"; Buffalo Bill  
No. 5, "Man of Steel."

CASINO  
All week—Mary Pickford in "Rosita."  
Short reels—Sunday, Fighting Blood  
No. 8; Fun From the Press, Monday  
and Tuesday; Fox News No. 8; Fun From  
the Press; Wednesday and Thursday, Fox  
News No. 20; Friday and Saturday,  
Educational, "The Canadian Alps."

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MARY PICKFORD HAS  
CHARM AS GROWN-UP

The public is going to be amazed  
and electrified by the new Mary Pick-  
ford personality which will be seen in  
"Rosita," her latest United Artists  
production which comes to the Strand  
and Casino theatres for an extended  
engagement, starting Sunday.

Miss Pickford, as Rosita, reveals to  
the public a vital something—a Ameri-  
can's sweetheart.

The fact is that Mary Pickford has  
grown up in "Rosita." While she has  
shrunk from this thought, she has  
shrunk not due to vanity, but to  
an almost puritanical aversion to  
revealing a grown woman's feelings  
and emotions.

It took great courage on the part of  
Mary Pickford to grow-up on the  
motion picture screen.

In "Rosita" Miss Pickford enters  
into her rightful heritage of glorious.

vital, alluring womanhood in her his-  
toric career, and while the grown-up  
Mary Pickford quickly will be-  
come the idol of men picture fans, she  
will not lose any of her tremendous  
following of women and children;  
her standing will be greatly enhanced  
by his temporary departure from  
little girl roles.

"JEALOUS HUSBANDS"  
Maurice Tourneur's genius in  
choosing a cast is shown in "Jealous  
Husbands," which is coming today  
to the Rivoli theatre. All in all, it is  
one of the most balanced companies  
ever assembled in a studio.

Earle Williams and Jane Novak,  
both of whom have seen their names  
in electric lights above cinema pal-  
aces, have the leading adult roles.  
Masters of their art, they give fin-  
ished performances that leave nothing  
to be desired.

Ben Alexander, the Penrod of  
"Penrod and Sam," through which  
he became internationally known, has  
another of the important roles and  
is highly effective in the role of  
Spud.

Then there are Bull Montana,  
George Siegmann, Emily Fitzroy,  
Don Marlon and J. Gunnis Davis.

"HIGH LIFE"  
Firmly believing that it is possible  
to invest comedy productions with  
the same elaborate and unusual set-  
tings and lighting effects that are  
used in special dramatic productions,  
Jack White has inaugurated this pro-  
duction scheme in his newest picture,  
"High Life," which will appear at the  
Rivoli theatre Monday.

"High Life" is a comedy in a so-  
ciety setting, which furnishes many  
opportunities to display his technical  
abilities. In the cast, supporting Life  
Conley, will be seen Lillian Hackett,  
Otto Fries, Jack Lloyd and many  
other well known comedians.

"FRENCH DOLL"  
Never before have motion picture  
fans had the opportunity to see the  
inimitably charming Mae Murray in  
a photoplay so dazzling, so fascinat-  
ing, so gorgeous and so entertaining  
as "The French Doll," her newest  
picture, which comes to the Rivoli  
theatre on Wednesday. It was pro-  
duced in the elaborate style charac-  
teristic of her former screen plays,  
but it is more elaborate than any-  
thing which has gone before.

"The French Doll" is a film ver-  
sion of the famous play of the same  
name, in which Irene Bordoni achieved  
her greatest success.

In the photoplay, Miss Murray por-  
trays a fiery little French girl of  
many love affairs, who helps her par-  
ents sell antiques of modern manu-  
facture. The family comes to Ameri-  
ca, New York and Palm Beach, where  
they move in high social circles,  
while beautiful Georgina is the mag-  
net to draw more customers for  
their "heirlooms." In America,  
Georgina finds romance.

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American missionary attached to the  
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AUCKLAND GEDDES  
QUITS POST TO U. S.;  
HEALTH FAILING

WASHINGTON.—By The Associated  
Press.—Sir Auckland Geddes  
has resigned as British ambassador to  
the United States.

The resignation is understood to be  
due wholly to the ambassador's fail-  
ing health, which has made of him  
virtually an invalid for several  
months. He is at present in England  
and had intended to sail for America  
next week to resume his post.

Officials both at the state depart-  
ment and the British embassy de-  
clined Saturday to discuss the matter,  
but there have been previous infor-  
mations in official circles here that  
Sir Esme William Howard, now  
British ambassador to Spain, would  
succeed Sir Auckland here in the  
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VAUDEVILLE

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PAGE, HACK and MACK  
FUN GALORE  
Fun Songs Dance Music Fun

TANSEY, WHEATON and TANSEY  
Two Boys and a Swede.  
Fast, Witty Comedy from Start to Finish.

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ROE REEVES—The Kid Glove Kidder

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DANDY ORPHEUM FINE

And First Run Feature Picture



A Story of  
Blind  
Husbands  
and  
Indiscreet  
Wives

"You were  
out joy rid-  
ing!"

JEALOUS HUSBANDS

WITH JANE NOVAK  
EARLE WILLIAMS  
BEN ALEXANDER  
BULL MONTANA

Prices  
Matinee, 10c and 50c.  
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To jealous husbands! To  
flirtatious wives!—A drama  
that strips men and women  
to the soul. Bares the  
primitive passions! Tense  
action, thrilling situations,  
powerful melodrama. Pathos  
that will bring a sob to  
every throat.

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GUY BEACH in his greatest  
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## ATHLETICS SHOULD BE PROMINENT IN EDUCATIONAL WORK

Fielding H. Yost Says Games Tend to Promote Powerful Democracies

## GRIFFITH SAYS COACH HAS IMPORTANT PLACE IN SYSTEM

Speeches Given Before Convention at Atlanta

ATLANTA, Ga.—Nations have succeeded in democratic government in almost exact proportion to their participation in "competitive games and athletics," and for this reason if for no other athletes deserve an important place in our program of education, Fielding H. Yost, director of athletics for the University of Michigan, told the Football Coaches' Association of America which met here Saturday.

**Games Make Democracy**  
"As ancient Greece was supreme in democracy," she was supreme in games," he said. "Today, Great Britain and America lead the world in athletics as they lead the way in democracy."

ATLANTA, Ga.—If the purpose of education is to improve the human race as "educational psychologists" tell us, then it must be agreed that the football coach has an important place in the educational system. Major John I. Griffith, commissioner of athletics in the western conference, told the Football Coaches' Association of America in an address prepared for delivery here tonight.

"I would not have the temerity to attempt to suggest the purpose of the college," Major Griffith continued, "but anyone who has followed the discussions of educators in recent years, must have noted that it is now being frequently insisted that the purpose of the college is to train for life while a decade ago the advancement of intellectualism was more often announced as the function of the institutions of higher learning."

**Million Play Football**  
Approximately 1,000,000 boys played football last fall, he said, under the tutelage of about 15,000 coaches. "These coaches," he added, "had it within their power to affect tremendously for good or bad this army of American boys."

## CARROLL CAGE SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ANNOUNCED

WACKESHA, Wis.—The basketball schedule of Carroll college, member of the "Little Five" conference, has been announced by Coach Morris Armstrong as follows:

Jan. 14—Carroll at Marquette.  
Jan. 15—Carroll at Beloit.  
Jan. 25—Lawrence at Carroll.  
Jan. 26—Carroll at Milton.  
Feb. 2—Milton at Carroll.  
Feb. 8—Ripon at Carroll.  
Feb. 15—Carroll at Lawrence.  
Feb. 16—Carroll at Ripon.  
Feb. 23—Carroll at Milwaukee Normal.  
Feb. 29—Beloit at Carroll.  
Mar. 6—Carroll at Transylvania (Lexington, Ky.).  
Mar. 8—Carroll at Centre (Danville, Ky.).

Coach Armstrong explains that his interest in the game to be played with Centre college was inspired by the fact that he was at one time both football and basketball captain at that college. He played three years in each department there. The game with Transylvania is augmented by a desire on the part of Armstrong to have his team defeat an old rival of other days.

## MOORE AND BIALIS WIN ICE EVENTS IN OLYMPIC TRYOUTS

LAKE PLACID, N. Y.—Joe Moore of New York, won the 500-metre race, and Valentine Bialis, of Lake Placid, placed first in the 1,500-metre event in the final tryout of the Olympic speed skating team here Saturday afternoon.

Moore nearly tied the world's amateur record in winning the 500-metre event, and Bialis, an alternate on the Olympic team, proved he had speed and endurance in showing his heels to the pack throughout the longer distance.

The third event, a 5,000-metre race, was called off because of a bursting water pipe which flooded the rink and drenched the skaters during a preliminary heat.

## MORAN AND SHUGRUE STAGE ELIMINATION BOUT NEXT FRIDAY

NEW YORK.—Pat Moran, New Orleans lightweight, and Johnny Shugrue of Wisconsin, Conn., who recently checked the sensational advance to Luis Vienturi by outpointing the Chilean in a 12-round match will meet next Friday night in a 15-round contest at Madison Square Garden. The bout will mark another step in the elimination series out of which it is expected a challenger for Benny Leonard's title will develop.

## BRIGHT'S DISEASE MAY PROVE FATAL TO BILLY MISKE

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Billy Miske, heavyweight boxer of St. Paul, Ill. in a hospital here, spent a restless day Saturday and his condition showed no improvement. He is suffering from Bright's disease and is said to have but a slight chance for recovery.

## RUMOR CIRCULATED THAT TEX RICKARD PLANS SOON TO QUIT BOXING GAME IN NEW YORK

BY SPARROW MCGANN  
(Special Correspondent, Tribune)  
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NEW YORK.—Tex Rickard preparing to retire from the boxing game in New York? Men who follow the drift of political affairs as they relate to boxing are beginning to ask this question.

Rumors that Tex has positively made up his mind to quit within a short time have been heard about the white light district, but they have not been traced to authoritative sources. On the other hand, well informed persons can see why he might be inclined to do so.

**Hasn't Made Money**  
For one thing, it is a mistake to suppose that Rickard has been making big money out of his New York boxing enterprises. He has been doing most of the work, to be sure, as well as giving the exhibitions the prestige of his name. But he has not been getting the money; at least not the big percentage of it.

This has gone to the man behind him, and elsewhere. A man who ought to know said the other day that Tex was a poor man if you compare what people think he has made to what he really possesses.

The fact that he has been dickering with the New Jersey state authorities to install great racing centers at Jersey City, Ten minutes from New York, and at Atlantic City, is taken to mean that Rickard is planning to pull out of the boxing game. Racing in New Jersey, conducted under the pari-mutuel system, with a large percentage of the proceeds to go to charity, would be a big thing for the state and a big thing for Rickard.

Of course, he would not stand owner of the tracks or anything of the sort, but there is no doubt he would get a lot more out of Jersey turf interests, if they could be established, than he ever stands to make holding boxing shows in New York.

Again, the air is filled with talk of a radical change in the legal system under which bouts are conducted.

## LA CROSSE NORMAL CAGE SEASON OPENS ON JANUARY 12

Thirteen-game Schedule to Start Off With Milwaukee Normal Here

A strenuous program of cage contests has been outlined by Coach "Tubby" Keeler of the La Crosse Normal school for the Maroon and Grey quiblet. The schedule will open on January 12 and will continue until March 1. The opening game will be played on the local floor against Milwaukee Normal.

School will re-open on January 7 and practice will commence immediately according to Coach Keeler. The men displayed their abilities in the recent game with Winona and will be given intensive training up to the time of the battle with Milwaukee.

The schedule is as follows:  
January 12, Milwaukee Normal here.  
January 18, St. Victor's college at Beloit, Wis.  
January 19, De Paul university at Chicago.  
January 26, Eau Claire here.  
January 31, Whitewater here.  
February 2, Columbia at La Crosse.  
February 6, St. Victor's college here.  
February 13, St. Paul university here.  
February 14, Whitewater at La Crosse.  
February 20, Eau Claire at La Crosse.  
March 1, Columbia college here.

## GOVERNMENT ADMITS ONE QUESTION IN THE DELANEY APPEAL

WASHINGTON.—A brief filed by the government in the supreme court Saturday opposing the appeal of Thomas A. Delaney, former prohibition officer of Wisconsin, now in Leavenworth penitentiary for conspiracy to violate the national prohibition laws, declares that the appeal presents only one question worthy of consideration, that question is whether Federal Judge Evans, who sat in the circuit court of appeals in reviewing the case had rendered himself ineligible.

All other questions presented by Delaney in his appeal should be dismissed by the court, the government contended, as having no material bearing in his conviction. The government's brief was devoted almost exclusively to supporting its assertion that Judge Evans in acting on the motion of Walter M. Burke, one of the defendants, to have the indictment against him quashed, had not disqualified himself from sitting as a member of the circuit court of appeals to review the decision of the district court.

## GOPHERS DEFEAT GRINNELL, 25-19

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The University of Minnesota defeated Grinnell College, 25 to 19, in a slow basketball game here Saturday night.

## RELEASED TO BEAUMONT CHICAGO, ILL. — Elwood Wirts, catcher of the Chicago Cubs, Saturday night was released to Beaumont, Texas.

**Library Has Rare Prints**  
The public library of Toronto, Ontario, now possesses the largest and most valuable collection of prints of early life in Canada in existence. There are 3,715 engravings, prints and paintings. No fewer than 1,479,000 books were issued to borrowers by the Toronto public libraries in 1922.

in New York state. There is a lot of money in the fighting game here and there is always the chance that moves will be made to divert the flow of coin to other pockets.

**Can't Swing it Alone**  
The fact seems clear that Rickard and those who are back of him cannot much longer stand alone in the swinging of big boxing affairs in this state and, indeed, it is not altogether certain they might not find themselves subordinated.

As for Rickard's immediate plans for boxing, he says quite definitely he has thrown up his hands so far as Georges Carpentier is concerned. The Frenchman and his canny manager, Desamps, are too elusive and uncertain for dependence. Moreover, Rickard's advisers from Paris are that the French public—at least that section of it that knows anything about boxing—has set Carpentier down as a has-been and is no longer greatly interested in his ring exploits.

Spalla is designated as the new international sensation. The ballyhoo for a meeting between him and Dempsey already has started in a mild form. It will rise to tornado heights if Spalla gets by the projected "Tunney" bout at the Garden the night of February 1.

**Spalla Met Hard Foe**  
The average fight follower will deprecate Spalla's initial test as a pretty tall order for the Italian. Tunney is not the most formidable champion in the ring, but at the same time he is rugged, experienced and a hard hitter.

If he does not box Spalla with handuffs, in the interest of giving the foreign heavy some favorable advertising, he ought not to have a great deal of trouble in handing Erminio a licking. In this event the Italian's hopes would crash with a shuddering thud. But on the other hand, were Spalla to hold the American light heavy champion even, he could be carried along through other bouts and work up quite a rep.

## SKATERS ASKED TO REMAIN OFF ICE UNTIL CLEANED

THE La Crosse Outdoor Sports association appeals to skaters of the city to remain off the ice at Pettibone lagoon until the ice is thick enough to hold equipment for cleaning off the snow.

It was explained that if the rink is used at the present time the smooth surface will be ruined and poor skating will result. The association plans on cleaning off the snow as soon as it is thick enough for safety.

## WAR VETERANS IN CONGRESS SEEKING ACTION ON BONUS

Rainey of Illinois Wants Excess Profits, Higher Surtax on Incomes

WASHINGTON, D. C.—By The Associated Press.—With republican members of the house who are former service men pressing for early action on the soldiers' bonus, Representative Rainey of Illinois, a democrat on the house ways and means committee, came out Saturday with a proposal that payment of adjusted compensation be financed by restoration of the excess profits tax and an increase of the surtax levies on incomes. He declared these levies would provide more than enough funds for a bonus and at the same time a general reduction could be put into effect.

The republican war veterans who are circulating petitions for a conference of house republicans on January 10 with a view to putting the majority membership on record in favor of a bonus vote on the bonus before February 1, continued Saturday to obtain signatures. They plan to file the petitions when the house reconvenes Thursday, a week before the proposed party conference.

Mr. Rainey, one of the most outspoken proponents of bonus legislation in the house, said he favored a maximum surtax rate of 65 per cent on net incomes exceeding \$150,000. Such a levy with one on the excess profits of corporations, he declared, should be designated as "victory taxes." The proposed schedules, he added, could either be made a part of the bonus bill or incorporated in the tax bill.

If we could supply the surtax rates I suggest to the incomes of four individuals—John D. Rockefeller, Henry Ford, William Wrigley, Jr., and Secretary Mellon—and an excess profits tax to the corporations, in which they are interested, and in addition place a tariff on the chicle Mr. Wrigley uses in making chewing gum," said Mr. Rainey, "there would be plenty of money in the treasury to pay a bonus."

## THE DAY IN WASHINGTON

The weather bureau announced that winter is at last on the way. The war department revealed that the war had developed the most powerful gun of its type in the world. Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair denied knowledge of the celebrated rum buyers' list, of a capital bootleg scandal. The armored cruiser Rochester was ordered to Annapolis, Honduras, as a precaution to protect American interests in our torn Honduras and Southern Mexico.

## In The Sport Mirror

WITH the coming of colder weather it looks as if as though winter sports in La Crosse will come in for their usual round of pleasure and recreation. The main sports of the winter will center around activities at the Pettibone lagoon, where the La Crosse Outdoor Sports association is putting things in readiness for skating, hockey and other winter festivals which will follow during the winter months. The weather man's prediction of snow has come true at last, which indicates that skis will be holding their own with the skates this winter. Skating is expected to be resumed at the rink across river, which was open again during the mild spell. The late skating season this year recalls that last year, skating at Pettibone lagoon began on November 19, six weeks earlier than the present season. George Ritter, park superintendent, states that this is the first occasion in his 14-year career with the city park department that skating has not been possible before Christmas.

**LA CROSSE** is well represented this year at Notre Dame university by graduates of the local high school, six young men, Glen Murrie, John Ash, "Mike" Anderson, Robert Bartl, Robert Doyle and Joe Murphy, who participated in sports while at the local institution, being in attendance there. All the boys are home mozing around with their friends. Murrie and Ash, who starred on the Red and Black football eleven, took a crack at the gridiron sport this fall and both made "F" squad, participating in several games throughout the season. And "Mike" was back at his old tricks in the tank, and we hear that he starred for Notre Dame in a tank meet with the South Bend Y. M. C. A. just before the Christmas holidays. "Mike" won two firsts, excelling his opponents in the fancy dive and the 220 swim. He will be awarded an "N. D." medal. Bartl is also out for honors in tank competition.

**AMONG** the old grads of La Crosse Normal renewing friendships in the city over the holidays is Bill Rens, who for too long has been out of the school of physical education here last spring. Bill is located at Valley City, North Dakota, where he has charge of all the "Phy Ed" work in the high school. He looks as healthy as ever and avers that he likes the physical education game better than ever. Bill is fashioning a regular basketball quintet out there for a hefty schedule that pits his team against the best of the flintknit state has to offer. What he is going to do this summer? Bill says he is coming back to La Crosse to seek a playground job. He wants to keep the senior playground ball championship for Copeland park, that team having won from the Frasers last year in a bitter duel of five games.

**SPONSORING** of chess leagues of every description is one of the big features of the Y. M. C. A. program in La Crosse, and in fact is attracting such great attention that inquiries from various parts of the country are coming in for an outline of the program and of the manner in which it is conducted. This year twenty leagues are projected, one having been already completed, five are in operation, the launching of five dated for January, seven for February and two for March. The leagues are designed to give visitors of the "Y" ranging in years from teen to seventy years a means of recreation. The contests are all staged at the Y. M. C. A. with the exception of bowling and tennis, every evening of the week being utilized with the exception of Sunday and Wednesday. Something of the magnitude of activities may be learned from the fact that last year 542 games were scheduled among 126 teams requiring 767 players, some of whom were more than one team. Membership in the "Y" is not required, and any church of any denomination is welcome to participate.

**DR. SUN ORDERS CUSTOMS COLLECTED HELD TO HIS ORDER**  
HONG KONG.—By The Associated Press.—The diplomatic corps at Peking has replied to the order issued by Dr. Sun Yat-sen head of the South China government, requiring that customs collected at Canton be held to his order instead of following their normal course under the direction of customs administration. The reply was transmitted through the commissioner of customs at Canton and was delivered to Dr. C. C. Wu acting on behalf of Dr. Sun's government yesterday.

The foreign governments are interested in the customs through the many foreign loans secured by those revenues. The reply of the reply has not been learned here.

**"Gassing" Snakes for Study**  
It is necessary in order to secure the type of photograph desired to etherize specimens of practically all our native snakes. The copperhead and the rattlesnakes succumb most quickly to the ether fumes, while the water snakes are always last to succumb. The reptiles "come out of the ether" without giving evidence of suffering any evil effects.

## WASHINGTON AND NAVY BEING DEFEATED ELEVENS DOES NOT DETRACT INTEREST FROM BATTLE

BY WALTER CAMP  
(Special Correspondent of the Tribune.)  
(Copyright, 1923.)  
NEW YORK.—The great intersectional game of the year will take place on the Pacific coast New Year's Day when the University of Washington team, coached by Enoch Bagshaw, lines up against the Annapolis team, coached by Bob Folwell.

**Both are Defeated Teams**  
The fact that both these teams have been defeated, does not detract nearly as much from the main interest as might be expected. That the navy team is not the champion of the east, nor the University of Washington, of the coast, does not mean that high grade football will not be on exhibition in this contest.

It should be remembered that all coaches have a feeling at the end of a regular season that they were just beginning to make headway with their plays, and if they had another month they would have a machine fifty per cent more effective. This is quite true in the case of these two teams.

The navy had naturally been pointing for their army game, and owing to the fact that it was played on a soggy field, could not demonstrate part of their play, which depended upon agility. Washington had been pointing their game with the University of California and had developed a kind of tactics which in this contest, it was a bitter disappointment to them to suffer defeat here, as there was a general feeling that they could win.

**Colleges Enabled to Hold Preliminary Olympic Tryouts**  
Amateur Athletic Union Issues Statement to Collegiate Association  
NEW YORK.—Informed of the resolution adopted by the National Collegiate Athletic association at Atlanta authorizing arrangements made for college participation in Olympic tryouts, officials of the Amateur Athletic Union Saturday night issued the following statement:

"Opportunity for the college associations holding membership in the American Olympic association to conduct preliminary Olympic tryouts already has been granted by the Olympic committee.

"At its meeting October 25 and upon the recommendation of President William C. Prout of the A. A. U., plans were approved whereby the intercollegiate A. A., the western conference, the Pacific coast conference and the National Collegiate A. A. itself, are to consider the annual track and field meets as preliminary Olympic tryouts, and send the winners of each of the events to the final Olympic tryouts which are to be conducted at the Harvard stadium June 13 and 14."

## GOLF BALL WILL NOT BE CHANGED RULES U. S. G. A.

NEW YORK.—The United States Golf Association will make no change in the present standard ball when officials of the organization gather for their annual meeting in New York January 4 and 5. It was reported Saturday.

The association is expected to consider the use of slotted or punched clubs although under a ruling announced last September, these automatically will be barred after January 1. The ruling, however, provided that slotted lines may be used if they do not exceed one-sixteenth of an inch in width and are not less than three thirty-seconds of an inch apart, but it is said the whole question may be re-discussed.

## RITOLA IN GOOD AMATEUR STANDING BOARD ANNOUNCES

NEW YORK.—The incident surrounding the decision of Willie Ritola, distance running star, to return to Finland and compete for his native country in the 1924 Olympics, was closed officially Saturday, so far as American athletic authorities are concerned.

Frederick W. Rubien, secretary of the national amateur athletic union, and also of the American Olympic committee, announced Saturday that he had taken the final step in Ritola's case by formally notifying Finnish athletic authorities that the runner is in good amateur standing in this country.

## BATTLING SIKI CANNOT FIGHT IN MICHIGAN

DETROIT, Mich.—Battling Siki cannot fight in Michigan, Louis Plies, state boxing commissioner, late Saturday announced that he had ordered Grand Rapids promoters to cancel the scheduled ten-round bout between the Senegalese and Joe Lohman, Toledo heavyweight, which was to have been held New Year's day afternoon.

"Siki's performances have been such that Michigan can get along without any matches in which he is a principal," the commissioner said.

## MIKE KELLY STARTS REORGANIZATION OF 1924 MILLER CLUB

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Mike Kelly, manager of the Minneapolis American Association baseball team, Saturday began plans for reorganizing the Millers for 1924 when he asked waivers on fifteen members of the locals and St. Joseph, of the Western league.

This leaves twelve players on the Minneapolis list for next season.

## NORTON WILL SELL SAINTS FOR ENOUGH MONEY HE SAYS

ST. PAUL, Minn.—John W. Norton, president of the American Association baseball club, is right to sell the team if he can get the right price, he said Saturday night.

Mr. Norton's statement was made in denying reports received here that Kid Gleason, former Chicago White Sox manager, would purchase a part interest in the Saints.

## LOWMAN SETTLES SPRING TRAINING TRIP FOR BADGERS

Fifteen Men to be Taken on Southern Tour for Ten Days

MADISON, Wis.—Coach G. A. Lowman of the University of Wisconsin baseball team, has completed the schedule for the spring training trip for the varsity team, which takes the Badgers to Mississippi and Alabama for ten days, he announced Saturday.

The baseball season at Wisconsin is so short that frequently the schedule of conference games begins before the Badgers have been able to get on their diamond for practice. Therefore it is necessary for Coach Lowman to take his team south for ten days of field work after getting in condition in the gymnasium under the early spring, it is said.

Coach Lowman will have a build practically a new team this year as he has only four of last year's squad to start with: Captain Aschenbrenner, catcher; Johnson, pitcher; Hinson, second base; and Servino, outfielder. Just what he can develop from the freshman squad remains to be seen and will depend largely upon how they finish the first semester's work in their classes. It is expected about fifteen men will take the southern trip where games have been arranged as follows:

April 6—Butler college at Indiana, Ind.  
April 7-8—Mississippi university at Oxford, Miss.  
April 9-10—University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
April 11-12—Mississippi A & M college at Starkville, Miss.  
April 14—Armour Institute at Chicago, Ill.  
April 15—University of Chicago at Chicago (conference game).

## PADDOCK TO APPLY TO THE A. A. U. BOARD FOR REINSTATEMENT

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—That a college athlete, even in good standing, cannot compete outside the United States without A. A. U. sanction, and that an athlete in the A. A. U. is not a free agent, were two declarations made in a statement Saturday by Charles Paddock, world's champion sprinter, in a further contribution to his side of the dispute between himself and the amateur athletic union. At the same time Paddock admitted that the A. A. U. is the final sporting authority and that as such, he would apply to it for reinstatement.

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Although Charles Paddock, "world's fastest human," will apply for reinstatement in the Amateur Athletic Union in order to become eligible to compete for a place on the 1924 American Olympic team, he will not apologize for anything he has said about that organization, he declared here today.

## MURCHISON WILL BE IN CONDITION FOR THE OLYMPICS

NEW YORK.—By the Associated Press.—Fears that Loren Murchison, national sprinting champion, might be eliminated as a candidate for the American Olympic team and forced out of competition indefinitely as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident several weeks ago were dissipated Saturday when the Newark Athletic club flier announced his fitness to race again.

Murchison, who sustained an injury to his spine and was otherwise bruised and cut, believes he has entirely recovered from the ill-effects of the accident, which occurred near Philadelphia.

He filed his entry Saturday for the 70-yard metropolitan sprint championship to be held as a feature of the Osceola club games on January 2. He has been training steadily.

## OLYMPIC SKIING TRYOUT POSTPONED FOR LACK OF SNOW

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The Olympic ski jumping tryouts, scheduled here for January 1, have been postponed to January 6, it was announced Saturday because of lack of snow. The cross-country events will be staged January 3. They were to have been held today.

The first heavy snow of the season began falling here today and it is expected there will be sufficient to permit holding of the contests on the new dates when members of the Olympic ski teams will be selected.

## SOX TO TRAIN WITH ONLY MAJOR LEAGUE TEAMS

CHICAGO, Ill.—Only games with major league clubs will be played by the Chicago White Sox this spring if the present schedule is maintained. It was announced Saturday. This will be the first time that minor leaguers have been omitted from the exhibition program of the White Sox. The White Sox are scheduled to leave for their camp at Winter Haven, Fla., about February 29.

**TRAVERSE AND OKENDEN WIN IN GOLF MATCH**  
JACKSON, Miss.—Arthur G. Travers, British open golf champion, and Jimmie Ockenden, holder of the French open championship played on local links, Saturday defeated Louis Montreissort and John W. Saunders of this city, 6 and 5.

**OMAHA BUYS MCCARTHY**  
OMAHA, Neb.—John A. McCarthy, first baseman for the Syracuse International, has been purchased by the Omaha club of the Western league. It was announced tonight. The purchase price was \$5,000.







NEWSPAPER OVER  
HUNDRED YEARS  
OLD OWNED HERE

Copy of Salem, Mass., Paper  
Published in 1802 Relic of  
Mrs. Frank Winter

A copy of a newspaper published in Salem, Mass., July 27, 1802, is an interesting and valuable relic in the possession of Mrs. Frank Winter. It is a little four-page, four column paper, yellowed with age but still in a splendid state of preservation.

The importance of the shipping industry to the New England states in those days is revealed in the large amount of space given to arrival and departure of sailing vessels and sales of goods brought in by these ships.

One Nathaniel Appleton advertised a fine lot of china goods and teas just imported from Canton, China on the good ship Concord. William Orne offers to sell the entire cargo of the brig Washington from Lisbon, consisting of salt, wine, olive oil bags of feathers, lemons, corks and morocco skins.

"Wanted to hire, one thousand dollars, for which good security will be given in real estate and the interest paid yearly." is another prominent advertisement.

**Had Lottery Then**  
The South Hadley Canal Lottery has a two-inch ad announcing that tickets are on sale for a drawing to be had in forty days.

William Lenz announces a sale of Indian and English goods. Another has patent nails and brads for sale. The ships Aurora, Putnam and Wells have arrived at Hamburg, the former in 25 days and the latter in 33 days from Salem.

Ebenezer Sweeney offers for sale the best long necked or common claret by the case or single bottle, while William Orne specializes in excellent I. H. Sherry wine and Old Particular sherry, imported.

Robert Leach has for sale 200 quintals of early caught fish, suitable for the Baltimore market. Israel Williams would dispose of 12,000 head Magadoro ducks and various other skins and fides.

Robert Hantoul advertises true and genuine bilious pills, "prepared by Samuel Lee, of Windham in the state of Connecticut, secured to him by patent by the president of the United States, dated April 30, 1796, agreeable to an act of congress."

Joshua Pierce has for sale chalk by the ton, okum and fishing poles.

**School Advertised**

The donation Grammar School in Ipswich informs the public that the school is now open for the admission of children from other towns. "The design of this school," the ad sets forth, "is the instruction of youth in the English, Greek and Latin languages, together with writing, cyphering, English, grammar, composition, oratory, geography, history, surveying."

Pickering, Dodge & Company announce they have this day landed 29 hog-heads of Tobago rum, 12 of sugar and 20 casks of fresh rice and a quantity of rum and other products from the Windward islands.

Another advertisement announces a list of letters uncalled for in the postoffice.

**News is Shy**

Aside from the shipping news, and a biography of one Captain Cook, who had passed away some time previously, there does not appear to be any news in the paper. Evidently all interest of the populace of Salem centered in 1802 in the arrival and departure of sailing vessels, the goings and comings of seamen and sales of goods which the ships brought in from all parts of the world.

A perusal of the advertisement indicates that little was being imported from England at that time. Goods from all over the world were advertised, indicating that Salem ships wandered far on the high seas in search of commerce.

**One Kind of Competition**

Bicycle makers of Germany are making a bicycle that will sell in Germany proper at actually less than cost of production. This particular move is being made to keep out English bicycle competition and appears to be successful, as the demand is already felt on a large scale.

**IN DEBT TO 12 DOCTORS**

Frank Petosa, a laborer, who filed bankruptcy papers in Spokane County, Washington, recently listed his liabilities entirely as doctor bills and grocery bills. Petosa said he owed 12 different doctors or medical firms money. He is said to look as if in good health.

Raspudin, the notorious Russian monk, was first poisoned, then shot to death.

Miss Ruby Ellis  
Tells How Cuticura  
Healed Pimples

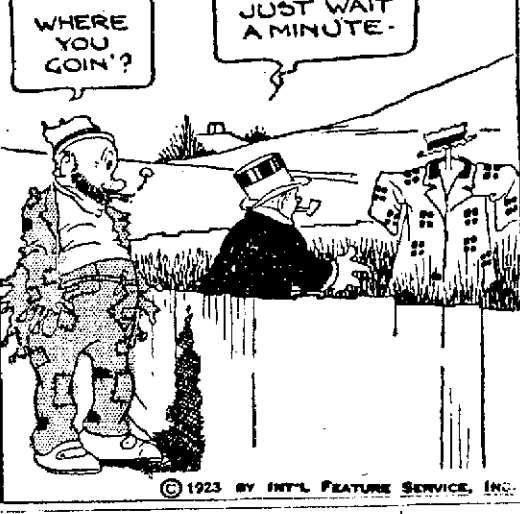
"I was troubled with pimples on my face and arms. They were real hard, large and red, and festering and scalded over. The scales were large and hard, and itched and burned continually, causing me to scratch until the eruptions bled. My face was so badly disfigured that I looked terrible, and my clothing irritated the breaking out and made it worse."

"I read an advertisement for Cuticura Soap and Ointment and sent for a free sample. I purchased more, and after using four cakes of Cuticura Soap and four boxes of Cuticura Ointment I was healed." (Signed) Miss Ruby Ellis, R. R. 4, Box 34, Girard, Kansas.

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BRINGING UP FATHER



MEMOIRS OF STEPHEN B. HANKS

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From the diary kept by Capt. Hanks, and placed with the Burlington, Iowa, Post, to be published after his death.

Edited by Capt. Fred A. Bill, No. 1023 Van Buren street, St. Paul, Minn., to whom all communications concerning this history should be addressed, and who will be glad to give publicity in these columns to all corrections, additions and comments, sent in by old rivermen and others interested.

(Continued from last Sunday)

(Continued next Sunday)

**BECOMES A RAFT PILOT**

As before stated it was about twelve miles to the junction of Snake and St. Croix rivers and the full was about fifty or sixty feet, which made a torrent of irresistible force. The sight made by that fleet of logs as it went out of the lake and down the river was one to be ever remembered. Many of the boom logs, sixty or eighty feet long would catch at one end and be lifted straight up or be shot out on the bank or into the woods or broken in two. And thus the river went on without help from us, in fact we could not prevent it if we would. We got our equipment into the Wangan and batteaux and started down the river. The break in the dam occurred some time in the afternoon and we started out as soon as we could on our perilous trip. We went down Snake river at express train speed and down the St. Croix at not much less and in two hours we were at Suuriste, forty-five miles from Cross Lake. Next morning we hurried on to the mill at the falls and here we had a thrilling sight. The dam on the top of the falls had been washed away; the race had been partially destroyed and at one time it seemed that the mill would go, but it was saved by heroic work. Attempts at booming the logs were made but of no avail and the logs that were not shot out on the bank went on down the river. A large number were stopped at Marine Mills by the booms there and by being run into sloughs and eddies, but most of them went on to the head of the lake, which fortunately at that time was some distance above its normal on account of high water on the Mississippi backing the water up in Lake St. Croix.

As soon as the outfit could be portaged around the falls we were hurried to the head of the lake where we run out a lot of booms and after much hard work we once more had our logs under control, but they were where they could not be sawed nor could they be taken back to the mill. There was, therefore, only one thing to do, i. e., find a market for them down river, and with that in view we

pass under it. This was placed across the logs about one-third the length of the raft from the stern and thoroughly fastened. Across each end of this log and a couple of feet from the end was placed a small log, or a very large ear stem, the big end being on top of and at right angles to the first log and projecting over some two feet. Another small log or timber was placed on top of the first log and fastened tightly between the other two. All this was braced in every direction and tied to as many logs in the raft as possible. When in use the line from shore passed under the one end of the big log, over the two cross pieces, under the other end of the big log and wound several times around the projection of one of the cross logs. A crude description but the best I can do. In later years this system of rafting logs was entirely changed. With the use of steamboats for towing rafts the strings of logs were succeeded by trails, the outside logs being like boom logs and the entire raft held together by numerous lines. In that way the lumber was not injured by numerous holes and the rafts were made up more quickly.

I did not do much at raft building, my work being the getting the material for the work. I was told by the company that I would be given charge of one of these rafts, which

they had decided to start for St. Louis. I wrote to Albany for some men and Alfred Slocumb came up on a boat with some thirty or forty men so that my crew were practically all from Albany.

Finally we had six Mississippi rafts of six strings each and about the same length of lumber raft, six hundred and fifty feet. I had seen to it that my raft was as well constructed as possible, my previous experience showing the value of a rigid raft and I was very anxious that my first trip as an actual pilot should be a success. These were the first logs from St. Croix for down the Mississippi.

We started some time in July, 1844, and to avoid the heavy pull through the lakes we secured a boat. I think it was the Otter, to tow all the rafts together through the two lakes and that part of the trip which had been such a drag was now quickly made and we were soon at Roscoe's, the foot of Lake Pepin. The pilots in charge of these rafts were James (Sandy) McPhail; Ganley; Jim Hickman; Mr. Bruce, the surveyor; a man commonly called "Bible back," on account of being stoop shouldered, and myself. There were twelve oarsmen, a cook and a helper and a pilot on each raft. Among the men who came up from Albany were Wm. Ewing; Jim Hugunin; Mat Thompson; Lover Laird;

Jim Withrow; two Robinsons and a man named Flack. Some of these were in the crews on the rafts and some had gone up to the mill or to the log drive, as there were lots of logs still hung up.

Between the lakes each pilot took his own raft, the older pilots taking the lead, and in three or four days we were out of Lake Pepin and started down the Mississippi. We started a comfortable distance apart but there soon came a little rivalry. The older pilots could run a little nights, but I did not then know the river well enough and confined my running to long days and at the finish I went into St. Louis with the second raft. With

one exception the rafts were quickly delivered and the other pilots and crews, except myself and a few men returned at once to the mill. They reached Stillwater just thirty days from the time we left there, which I consider a remarkably quick trip under the circumstances. Having made the entire trip on my own responsibility, I now considered myself a full fledged pilot.

(To be continued.)

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